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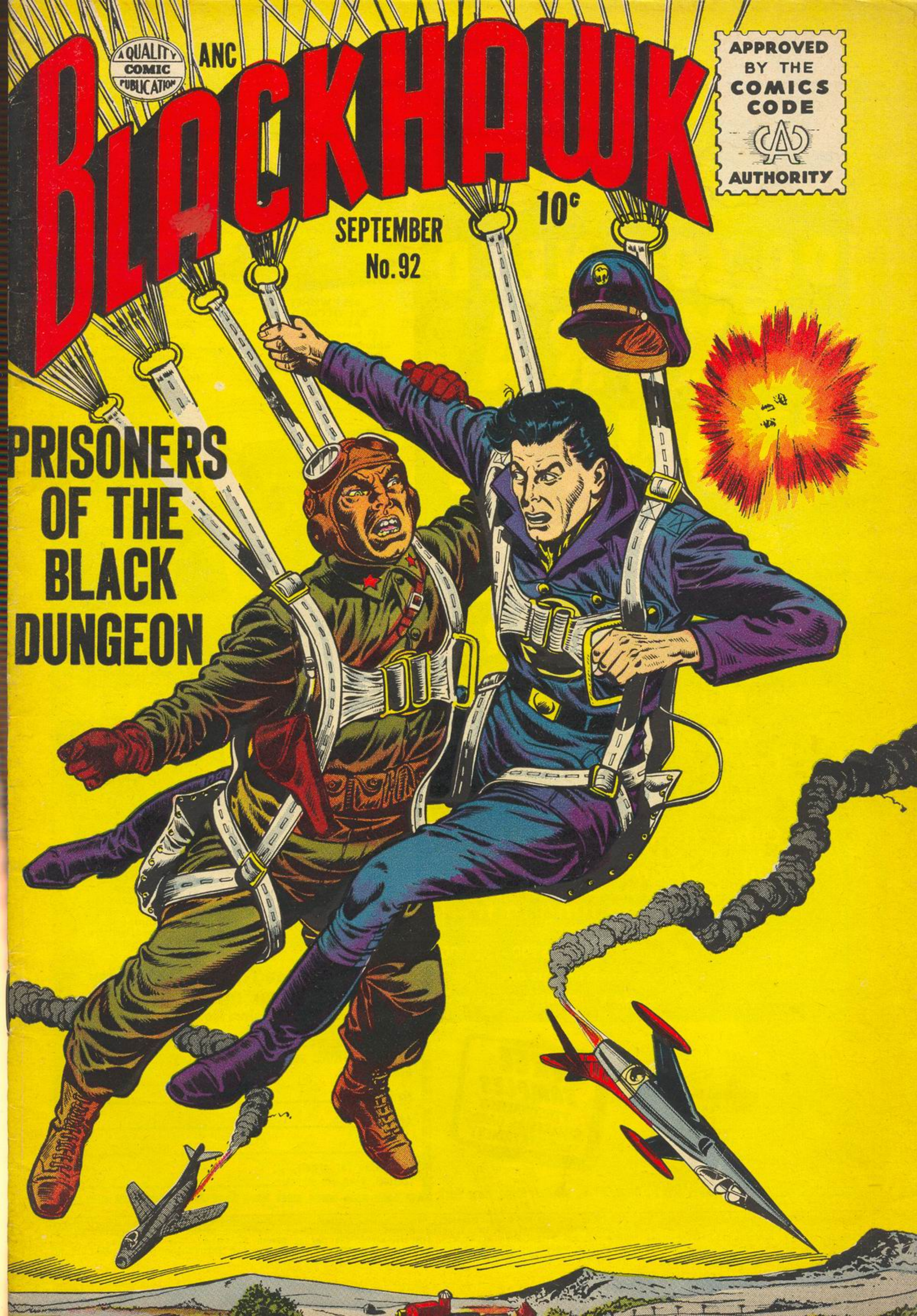
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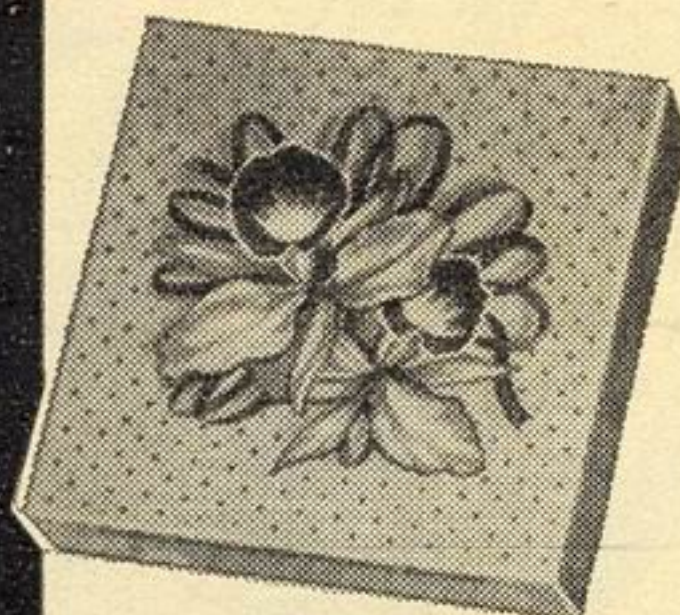
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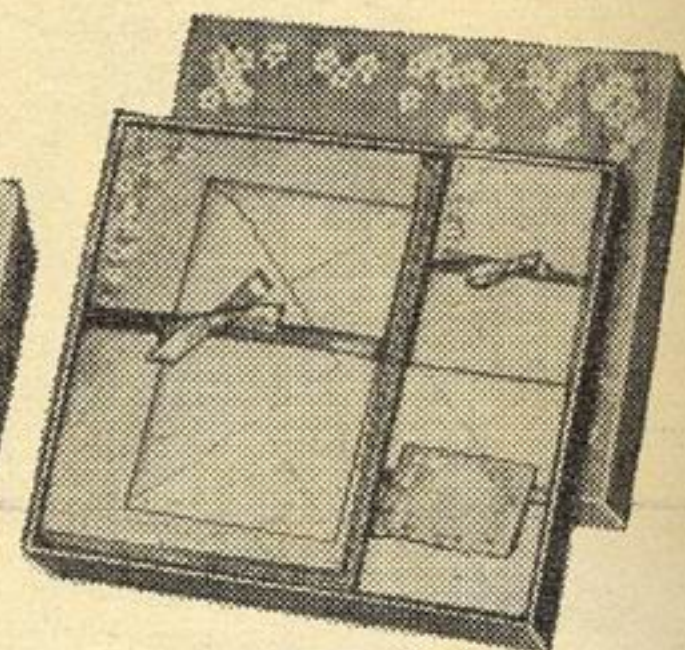
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# BLACKHAWK

HA, HA, HA...IT IS FUTILE TO RESIST CAPTIVITY, BLACKHAWK! NO HUMAN HAS EVER ESCAPED FROM MY INGENUOUS JAIL! YOUR MEN ARE HELPLESS, PRISONERS!

OUT OF MONGOLIA CAME THE INFAMOUS KONG TO CRUSH THE MIGHTY BLACKHAWKS ONCE AND FOR ALL! DIVIDE AND CONQUER WAS HIS PLOT TO SWEEP THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS INTO OBLIVION...THERE WAS WISDOM IN HIS WAYS FOR THE STRENGTH OF THE FAMED TEAM WAS SAPPED AS KONG, THE FANATICAL JAILER, TRAPPED ONE BLACKHAWK AFTER ANOTHER AND FASHIONED THEIR DOOM AS...

## PRISONERS OF THE BLACK DUNGEON

THERE'S ALWAYS A FIRST TIME, KONG! IF I CAN GET TO THAT CONTROL PANEL, THERE'S A CHANCE I MAY STILL SAVE THE BLACKHAWKS FROM A HORRIBLE FATE!





# BLACKHAWK

**DUE WEST OF JAPAN, A BLACKHAWK JET SOARS OVER THE CHINA SEA AS OLAF FLIGHT TESTS A NEW ENGINE!**

CRASH BOAT TO OLAF... WE'RE WAITING FOR YOU TO MAKE A SPEED PASS OVER US! WHAT IS YOUR LOCATION?

THREE MILES TO YOUR STARBOARD, BLACKHAWK! I BAN BANKING FOR THE SPEED RUN NOW! Y-YUMPIN' YIMINY!



SIX MIGS... ATTACK ME! THEY YUST FLEW OUT OF A CLOUD!

OLAF! WHAT'S HAPPENED?

**THE MURDEROUS VOLLEY OF MIG FIRE FINDS ITS MARK BEFORE OLAF CAN ACT!**

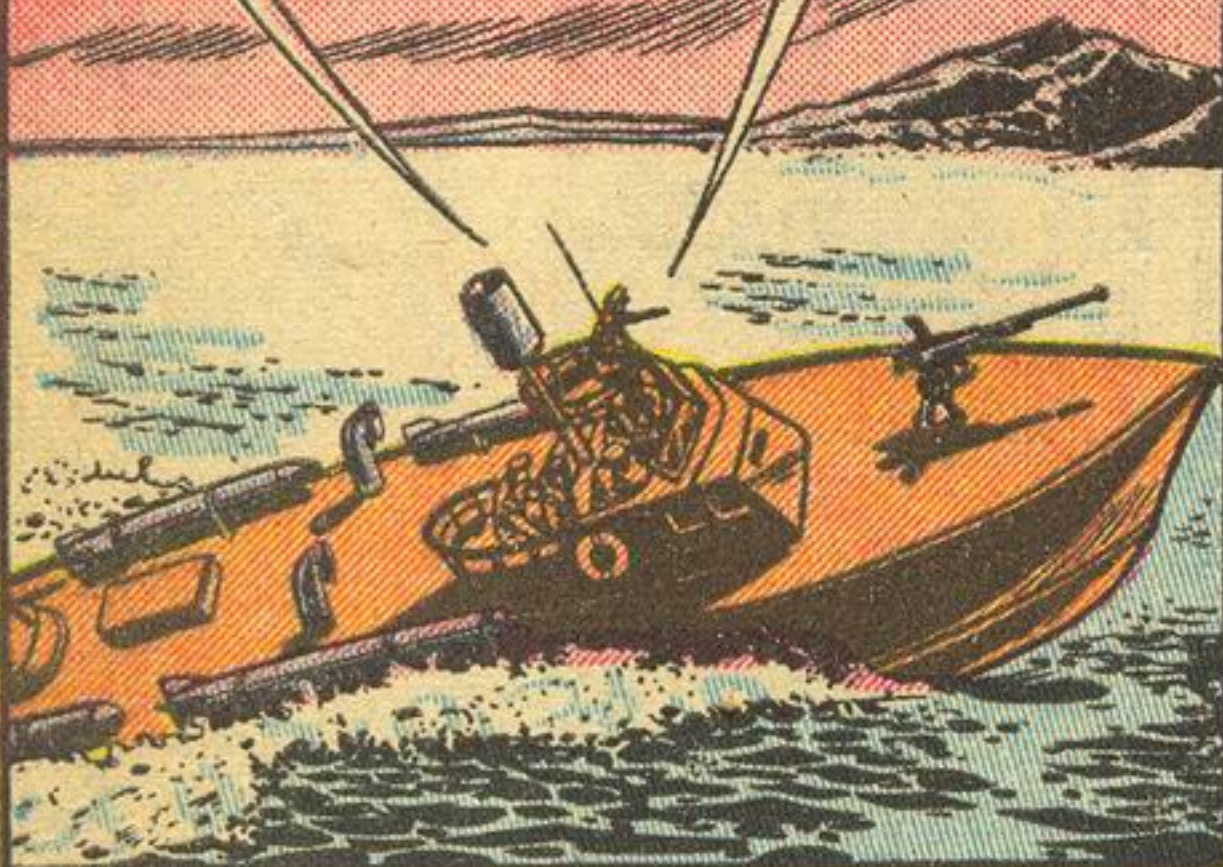
I BAN DITCHING, BLACKHAWK! THE JET TAIL HAS JUST BEEN DAMAGED BY CANNON FIRE!

THERE'S AN ISLAND IN YOUR VICINITY... MAKE FOR IT, OLAF!

**SOON...**

WE'LL GET THERE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE! ANDRE, OPEN UP FULL THROTTLE!

OUI, BLACKHAWK! ZE DOGS WEEL PAY FOR THIS UNLAWFUL ATTACK!



**SPEEDING TO THE SMALL ISLAND, THE WORRIED BLACKHAWKS ARRIVE NOT A MOMENT TOO SOON!**

SEIZE THE BLACKHAWK QUICKLY! HIS FRIENDS APPROACH... WE MUST ESCAPE BEFORE THEY ARRIVE!

LOOK, BLACKHAWK! THOSE CHARACTERS ON THE BEACH ARE TRYING TO TAKE OLAF PRISONER!

YES, CHUCK! TAKE BATTLE STATIONS AT THE BOW, MEN! WE'RE GOING TO POWER IN THERE AND TEACH THEM A LESSON!

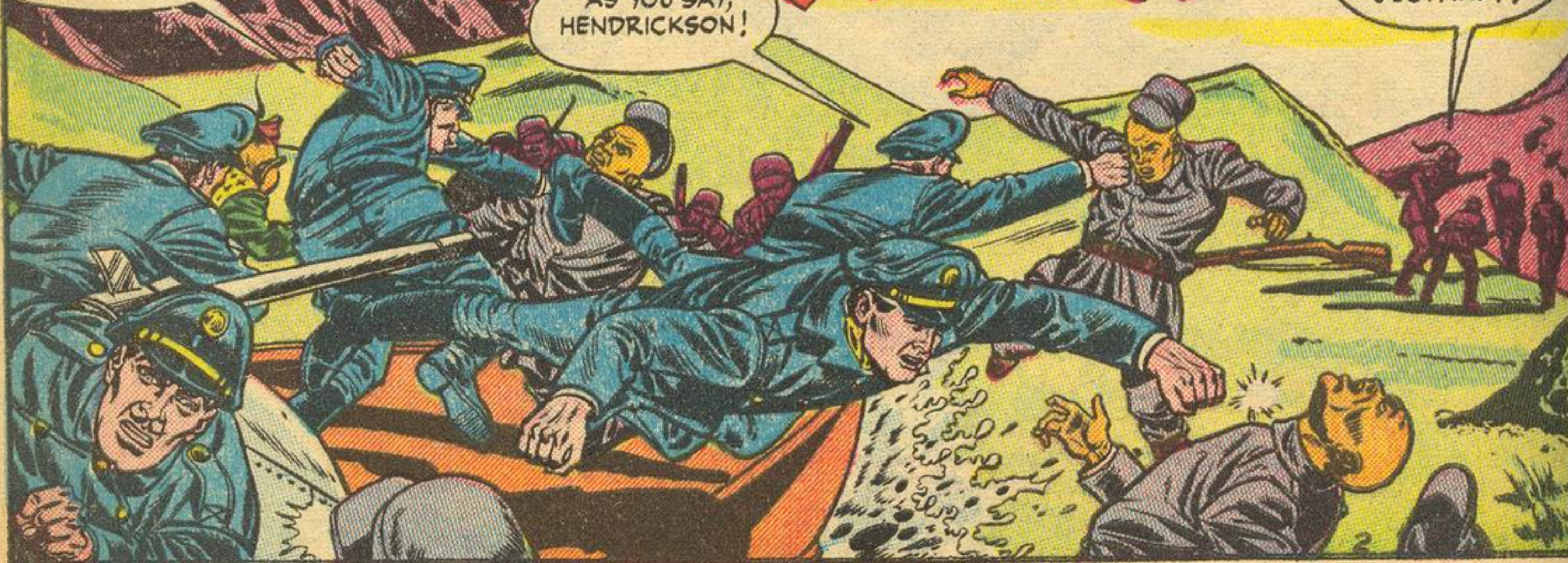


VE TEACH THEM DOT KIDNAPPING ISS ILLEGAL, EH, STANISLAUS?

**HAWK-A-A-A-A**

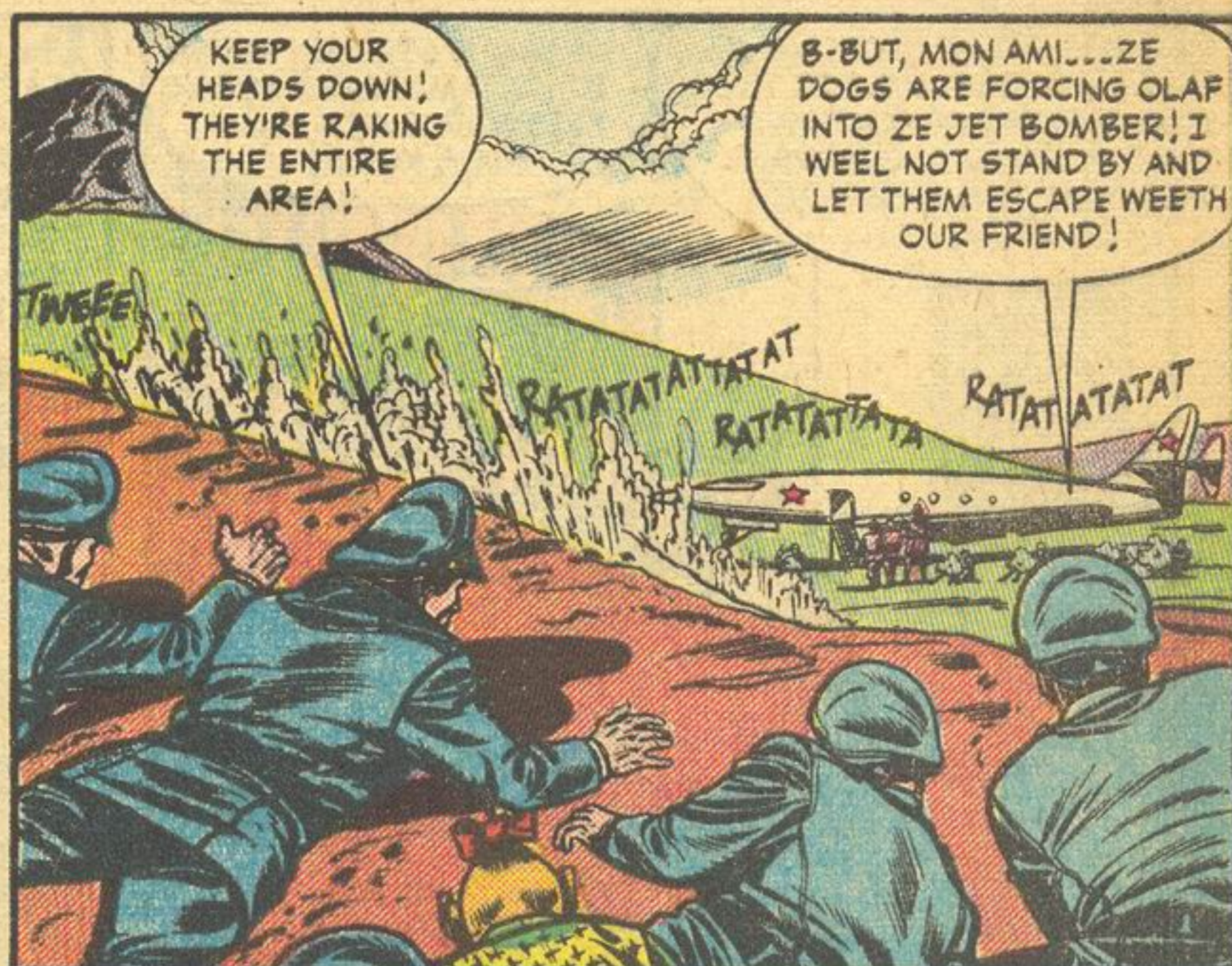
AS YOU SAY, HENDRICKSON!

HURRY...HURRY! THE BLACKHAWKS HAVE LANDED! OUR PLAN IS IN JEOPARDY!





# BLACKHAWK





# BLACKHAWK

BECAUSE THE BLACKHAWKS ARE INVINCIBLE AS A UNIT! LIKE THESE SEVEN STICKS OF BAMBOO THEY CANNOT BE BROKEN OR SMASHED IN A SINGLE EFFORT!

BUT TAKEN INDIVIDUALLY THEY SNAP LIKE A REED IN THE WIND! THUS, I WILL CONQUER ONE BLACKHAWK AT A TIME!

YOUR WISDOM IS INDEED WISE, KONG! WHAT TIME HAVE YOU SET FOR THE BLACKHAWK OLAF'S EXECUTION?

SNAP!

SUCH AN ACT WOULD BE FOLLY! I INTEND USING THIS DOG AS BAIT TO LURE HIS FRIENDS INTO CAPTIVITY! WE WILL HOLD A MOCK TRIAL AND SENTENCE OLAF TO THE BLACK DUNGEON!

BLACK DUNGEON! THE MOST DREADED PRISON IN ALL ASIA! NO ONE EVER GOT OUT OF THERE ALIVE!

MAO HAS PUT ME IN CHARGE OF THAT INGENIOUS JAIL FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF CONFINING THE BLACKHAWKS! GUARDS... TAKE AWAY THIS ENEMY OF THE STATE!

NO YAIL IS STRONG ENOUGH TO HOLD ME! I BAN BREAK FREE AND KNOCK YOU SILLY, KONG!

THE FREE WORLD IS SHOCKED AS RADIO BULLETINS ECHO OLAF'S FATE OVER THE AIRWAVES!

TROOPS OF THE COMMUNIST CHINESE GOVERNMENT CAPTURED THE BLACKHAWK, OLAF, WHO WAS PARACHUTED INTO OUR COUNTRY FOR PURPOSES OF SPYING!

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THE STARTLING REPORT IS PICKED UP BY THE BLACKHAWKS IN THEIR HAWKMARINE SUB AS IT CHURNS BENEATH THE CHINA SEA TOWARD THE MAINLAND!

THE LYING REDS! OLAF WAS OVER NEUTRAL WATERS WHEN THEY SHOT HIM DOWN!

SHH...CHUCK! LET'S HEAR THE REST OF THEIR CROOKED STORY!

THE PEOPLES COURT HAS FOUND HIM GUILTY OF THIS INFAMOUS CRIME AND HAS GIVEN HIM A LIFE SENTENCE TO BE SERVED IN...

...THE BLACK DUNGEON! COMRADE KONG HAS BEEN MADE WARDEN AS A REWARD FOR CAPTURING THE BLACKHAWK SPY!

SO THAT MONGOLIAN GIANT WHO CAPTURED OLAF IS IN CHARGE OF THAT FEARSOME DUNGEON!

ACH DU LIEBER!

S-SACRE!



# BLACKHAWK

KONG... RULER OF THE **BLACK DUNGEON**! I HAD HOPED THE WORLD WAS RID OF THAT FEAR-SOME PLACE!

ZEE BLACK DUNGEON WE USED TO HEAR SO MUCH ABOUT... WHAT DO ZEY DO TO ZERE VICTIMS ZERE? HOW CAN IT BE WORSE ZEN WHAT ZE REDS DO IN ALL THEIR PRISONS?

NOBODY KNOWS, ANDRE... BUT RUMOR FROM THE UNDERGROUND SAYS THOSE WHO ENTER THERE NEVER KNOW THE LIGHT OF DAY AGAIN! I REMEMBER THE LOCATION... HERE ABOUT FIFTY MILES UP THE YANGS RIVER IN THE HEART OF RED CHINA! READY, MEN...?

JA, BLACKHAWK! VE BUST DOT BLACK DUNGEON OPEN UND TAKE OLAF OUT!

**HOURS AFTERWARD AS THE HAWKMARINE SURFACES AFTER A PRECARIOUS JOURNEY UP THE YANGS RIVER!**

YOU SAY THIS FIENDISH BLACK DUNGEON IS WITHIN TEN OR TWELVE MILES OF HERE, BLACKHAWK?

RIGHT, CHUCK! WE'LL SUBMERGE THE HAWKMARINE BY BELT RADIO CONTROL AND SHE'LL BE WAITING ON THE BOTTOM FOR US WHEN WE RETURN!

**GRIMLY THE BLACKHAWKS PLUNGE ACROSS THE COUNTRY-SIDE SEEKING OUT KONG'S TERRIBLE PRISON CAMP!**

CAREFUL, MEN! OUR INTELLIGENCE REPORTED THAT THIS PRISON WAS SURROUNDED BY HUNDREDS OF FIENDISH TRAPS FOR PROTECTION!

OUI, BLACKHAWK! WE WILL KEEP ZEE EYES OPEN FOR TRIP WIRES AND PERSONEL MINES!

**MEANWHILE IN THE BRUTAL KONG'S BLACK LAIR NOT MANY MILES AWAY!**

THEY ARE HERE! THE BLACKHAWKS HAVE ENTERED THE SOUTH GROUNDS!

EXCELLENT! WE CAN LAY A PATTERN OF GAS BOMBS OVER THE ENTIRE AREA! WE WILL SMASH THEM IN ONE BLOW!

BEEP BEEP

NO, YOU FOOL! I HAVE TOLD YOU THE BLACKHAWKS ARE TOO CLEVER TO CAPTURE ENMASSE! DOZENS OF OTHERS HAVE FAILED ATTEMPTING IT! SET THE SOUTH SNARES! THIS TIME I SHALL SMASH THEM ONE BY ONE!

Y-YES, KONG!

**AS THE VALIANT FREEDOM DEFENDERS INCH THEIR WAY FORWARD!**

BLACKHAWK! LOOK HERE IN THE ROAD! THERE SEEMS TO BE A CULVERT HERE... WHA...?

S-STANISLAUS! HURRY, MEN! STANISLAUS IS CAUGHT IN A TRAP!



# BLACKHAWK

**TOO LATE THE OTHER BLACKHAWKS RUSH TO STANISLAUS' AID!**

HOLD ON...HOLD ON, STANISLAUS! WE'LL GET YOU OUT!

I-I AM CAUGHT...I... AM BEING PULLED DOWN A TUNNEL!

A TON OF CONCRETE TRAP DOOR...WE CAN'T BUDGE THAT JOB...AND STANISLAUS HAS BEEN WHISKED DOWN A TUNNEL STRAIGHT FOR THE BLACK DUNGEON!

MON DIEU!

ACH DU LIEBER!

STANISLAUS WAS DRAGGED NORTH UNDERGROUND, MEN! THAT MUST BE THE DIRECTION OF THE DUNGEON! LET'S GO!

DOT SVINE, KONG... I FIX HIM GOODT WHEN WE MEET!

**SUDDENLY A FAINT SOUND FROM THE REAR CAUSES BLACKHAWK TO TURN HIS HEAD AND...**

THAT SOUND...? BLAZING JETS! DUCK! DUCK, MEN!

**SWOOSH**

S-SACRE BLEU!

C-CHUCK...CHOP CHOP! GRAB THAT THING, MEN! DON'T LET IT GET AWAY!

**SRAAPE**

**DESPERATELY THE THREE REMAINING BLACKHAWKS SPRING FOR THE SPEEDING STEEL CAGE!**

I-IT VUSS TOO FAST FOR US!

T-THAT CUSSSED RED RAT! HE'S KNOCKING THE BLACKHAWKS OUT ONE BY ONE! FOLLOW THAT CABLE! IT LEADS TO KONG AND HIS BLACK DUNGEON!

**Swoosh**

**TEN MINUTES LATER THE BLACKHAWK TRIO PAUSE CAUTIOUSLY AS...**

**ZE BLACK DUNGEON!**

WAIT! WE'VE FOUND HIS LAIR AND THAT COMMUNIST CUTTHROAT MUST BE WAITING TO BLAST US APART WHEN WE REACH THE ENTRANCE! WE'LL GO ALONG THE WALL... LOOK FOR THE BEST PLACE TO SURMOUNT IT!

JA, BLACKHAWK!



THE THREE BLACKHAWKS MOVE WEST... AROUND THE OMINOUS WALL THAT SUR-  
ROUNDS KONG'S LAIR OF HATE! FINALLY...

ANDRE, HENDRICKSON,  
THERE'S JUST THREE  
OF US LEFT NOW!  
WHEN WE GET OVER  
THAT WALL TAKE  
EVERY PRECAUTION!  
WE CAN'T AFFORD  
ONE MISTAKE!

OUI, BLACKHAWK!  
THEES LOOKS  
LIKE A GOOD  
PLACE TO CLIMB  
ZE WALL! ZERE  
ARE HOLES IN IT  
ZAT WILL GIVE US  
ZE FOOT-  
HOLDS!



AS ANDRE'S HANDS TOUCH THE WALL  
TO GAIN A HOLD!

M-MON  
DIEU!

GREAT  
SCOTT!

DONNER-  
WETTER!



LET US IN,  
YOU SVINE!  
VE VILL  
MEET YOU  
FACE TO  
FACE WITH  
ANDRE!

IT'S NO USE...THE WALL IS  
A FOOT THICK AND THAT  
HINGED SECTION HAS SNAP  
LOCKED! DON'T YOU SEE,  
HENDRICKSON... KONG  
DOESN'T WANT TO MEET US  
FACE TO FACE TOGETHER...  
HE'S CUTTING US APART SO  
WE CAN'T UNITE AGAINST  
HIS MEN! BACK, HENDRICK-  
SON...BACK!



BUT AS THE LAST TWO BLACKHAWKS SEEK TO WITHDRAW!

O-ONLY TWO  
UFF US LEFT...

WE'VE GOT TO RETREAT!  
MAP OUT A PLAN...  
WHA? HENDRICKSON!  
OUT OF THE TRENCH  
FAST!



TONS OF WATER ROAR DOWN THE TRENCH UNDER TREMENDOUS  
PRESSURE! LIKE A HELPLESS HUMAN TWIG THE SIXTH BLACK-  
HAWK IS WHIRLED TOWARD THE OMINOUS DUNGEON!

S-SAVE YOURSELF,  
BLACKHAWK...I-I  
AM DONE FOR...

NO! NO!



AS A SECRET WALL ENTRANCE SWINGS OPEN AND  
KONG'S VOICE BOOMS OUT, ANGER FILLS BLACKHAWK'S  
FIGHTING HEART!

YOU STAND  
ALONE, BLACKHAWK! I HAVE  
THE AREA SURROUNDED! WITH-  
OUT THE AID OF YOUR FRIENDS  
YOU ARE DOOMED!

KONG! YOU  
INHUMAN DEVIL...  
I'LL END YOUR  
EVIL WAYS!



BUT AS BLACKHAWK LUNGES AT THE KEEPER OF THE BLACK  
DUNGEON!

SEIZE  
HIM!

A-ANOTHER  
TRAP...





# BLACKHAWK

NOW, BLACKHAWK, YOU SHALL WITNESS THE TERRORS OF MY PRISON! I, KONG, HAVE PROVEN MYSELF SUPREME BY ELIMINATING THE BLACKHAWKS, THE MOST FEARED CHALLENGE TO THE RED CAUSE EVER KNOWN! TAKE HIM TO THE BLACK DUNGEON!



SHORTLY, WITHIN THE BLEAK DUNGEON BLACKHAWK WATCHES HELPLESSLY AS...

YOU MONSTROUS BRUTE... GAILING VICTIMS IS NOTHING NEW TO THE RUSSIAN REDS WHO BOSS YOU!

WRONG, BLACKHAWK! MY PRISON IS ESCAPE-PROOF! THE PRISONERS SOON LEARN THE FUTILITY OF TRYING TO ESCAPE! DRAW THE CURTAIN!



THE BLACK CURTAINS PART... AND BLACKHAWK LURCHES FORWARD AT THE SIGHT HE SEES!

OBSERVE, BLACKHAWK, MY PRISON CELLS HAVE NO BARS!...YET THEY MAKE NO ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE! WHY? SIMPLE! THERE IS AN ELECTRONIC FORCE IN FRONT OF THE CELLS THAT CAN HOLD BACK A HERD OF ELEPHANTS!

G-GREAT CAESAR! T-THE BLACKHAWKS... DOOMED TO THIS!



MY PRISONERS ARE OBEDIENT... MY METHOD HAS REDUCED TO ALMOST NOTHING THE COST OF KEEPING VALUABLE CAPTIVES ALIVE UNTIL THE KREMLIN MIGHT NEED THEIR SERVICES!

I-I CAN'T LET THIS HAPPEN! ONCE I'M LOCKED IN THAT CELL ALL HOPE IS GONE! I MUST DO SOMETHING! I MUST!

WITH A SURGE OF POWER BLACKHAWK BREAKS FREE OF HIS CAPTORS AND...

YOU FOOL! YOU'RE OUTNUMBERED BY A HUNDRED MEN!



TAKE HIM TO HIS CELL! I WANT TO SEE THE LEADER OF THE BLACKHAWKS IN MY PRISON!





AND THEN IT HAPPENS! THE LAST HOPE OF THE VALIANT FREEDOM FIGHTING TEAM DIES AS BLACKHAWK IS THRUST INTO THE CELL!

IT IS THE END, BLACKHAWK! EVEN WITH YOUR RIGHT MIND YOU COULD NOT BREAK OUT OF THAT BULLET-PROOF GLASS CELL! TOMORROW THE FIVE GREATEST SOVIET GENERALS WILL COME TO SEE THE PLIGHT OF THE BLACKHAWKS... AND MAKE ME SUPREME GENERAL OF ALL RED CHINA!

SO THAT'S HIS GAME... WIN HIMSELF A KREMLIN GENERAL'S MEDAL FOR CAGING US!



THE MIGHTY BLACKHAWK IS IMPRISONED! IS THIS THE END OF THE GREAT FIGHTING TEAM?

TOMORROW, BLACKHAWK... TOMORROW YOUR CAPTURE WILL HAVE MADE ME MASTER OF ALL RED CHINA!



THE NEXT DAY AS KONG PROUDLY LEADS HIS RED MASTERS INTO HIS FEARSOME PRISON!

OBSERVE, GENERALS! THE BLACKHAWKS ARE HELPLESS NOW... READY TO BE USED AS HOSTAGES AT OUR WILL! WHAT'S THIS... BLACKHAWK'S CELL LIGHT IS OUT! GUARD! REPLACE IT AT ONCE!

YES, KONG!



BUT AS THE GUARD ENTERS BLACKHAWK'S CELL...

NOW, PAL... IT'S TIME FOR A SHOWDOWN WITH THE KEEPER OF THE BLACK DUNGEON...



FIERY EYED THE BLACKHAWK LEADER STREAKS FROM THE CELL AND...

HANG ON, MEN, ONE BLACKHAWK IS STILL IN BUSINESS!

YIIKE!



STOP HIM! STOP HIM! HE HAS OPENED THE OTHER BLACKHAWK CELLS! MY GUARDS ARE NOT HERE! HELP ME! HELP ME! QUICKLY! WE MUST CLOSE THE DOORS BEFORE THEY REVIVE!

COME ON, YOU BLACK DUNGEON FIEND! I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR A CRACK AT YOU!



LET'S GO, MEN! THE WHOLE PRISON WILL BE ON MY NECK IN A MINUTE...





DESPERATELY BLACKHAWK BATTLES TO PROTECT THE VITAL LEVERS!

THE LEVERS... PUSH THE LEVERS BACK... OOOOMPH!

HURRY, HURRY, MEN! IF HELP ARRIVES FOR KONG BEFORE YOU COME OUT OF THAT DAZE WE'RE SUNK FOR KEEPS...



THEN THE FAMOUS BATTLE CRY OF THE BLACKHAWKS RINGS THROUGH THE DUNGEON!

**HAWK-A-A-A**



AND IN A BLAZE OF FLYING FISTS THE UNITED FIGHTING SEVEN HAMMER THROUGH THE RUSSIAN WAR LORDS!

THE EXIT... MAKE FOR THE EXIT, MEN! THOSE GENERALS MUST HAVE A COMPANY OF RED TROOPS GUARDING THEM ON THEIR VISIT HERE! I'VE GOT A SCHEME THAT MIGHT WORK!

JA, BLACKHAWK!

OUI, MAIS AMI!



AS THE BLACKHAWKS BURST OUT...

THAT AMMO TRUCK! IF I CAN PLANT THIS GRENADE INSIDE HER... MEN! BREAK FOR THE WALL...



MAKE FOR THE TRENCH OUTSIDE THE WALL... EVERY SECOND COUNTS!



FIVE SECONDS LATER A FEARFUL DEMOLITION ROCKS THE COUNTRYSIDE!



AFTERWARD...

MON DIEU! ZE BLACK DUNGEON IS FINI! BUT, BLACKHAWK... WHY WERE YOU NOT AFFECTED BY ZE GAS IN ZE CELL?

I WOULD HAVE, ANDRE, IF I HADN'T FEIGNED AN ESCAPE SO I COULD RIP OPEN ONE OF THE ELECTRONIC PROTECTORS AND SECRET A DISK IN MY TUNIC! THIS NEUTRALIZED THE ELECTRONIC BEAM ON CONTACT! C'MON, LET'S MAKE FOR THE HAWKMARINE, MEN!





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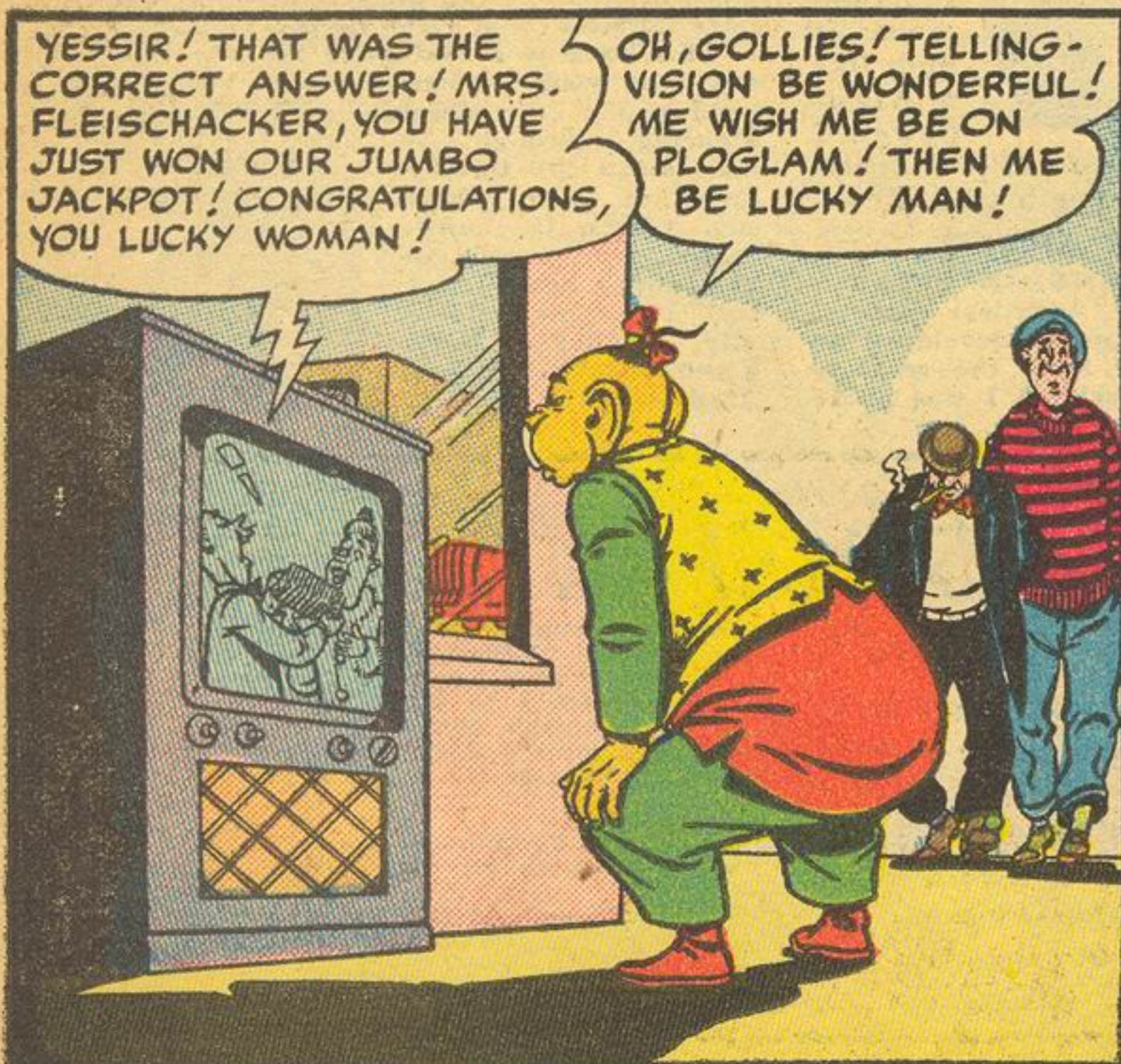
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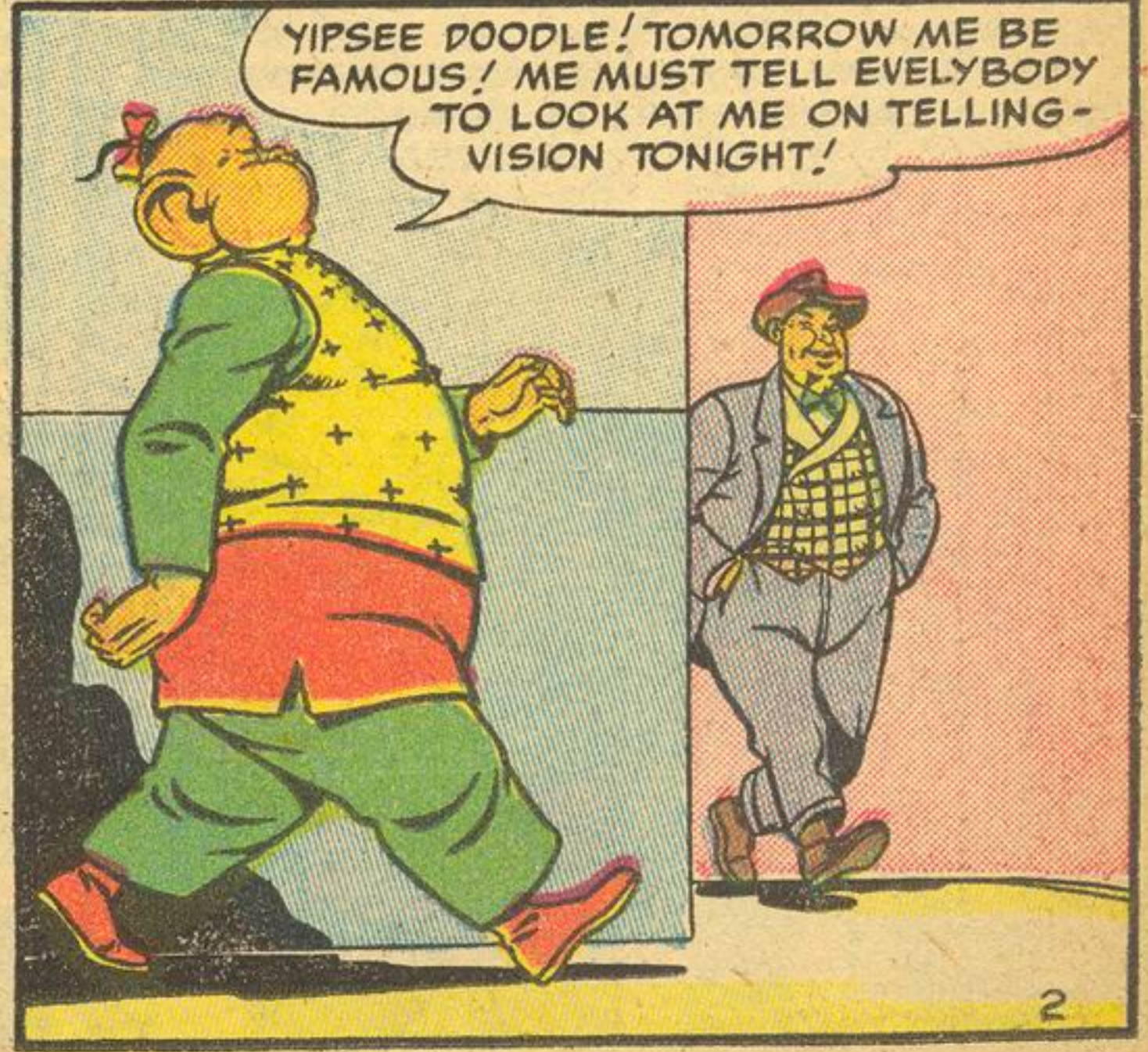
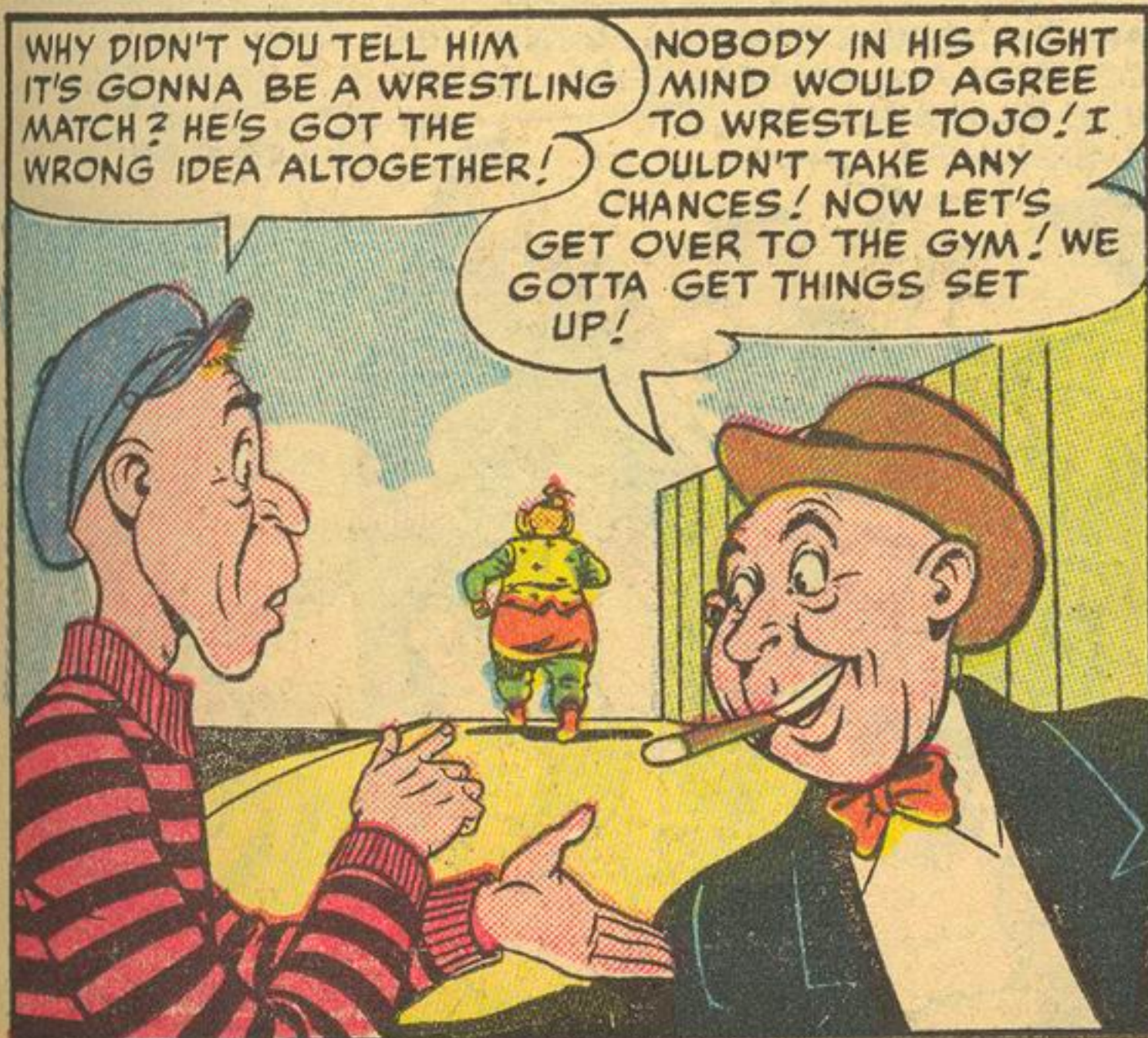
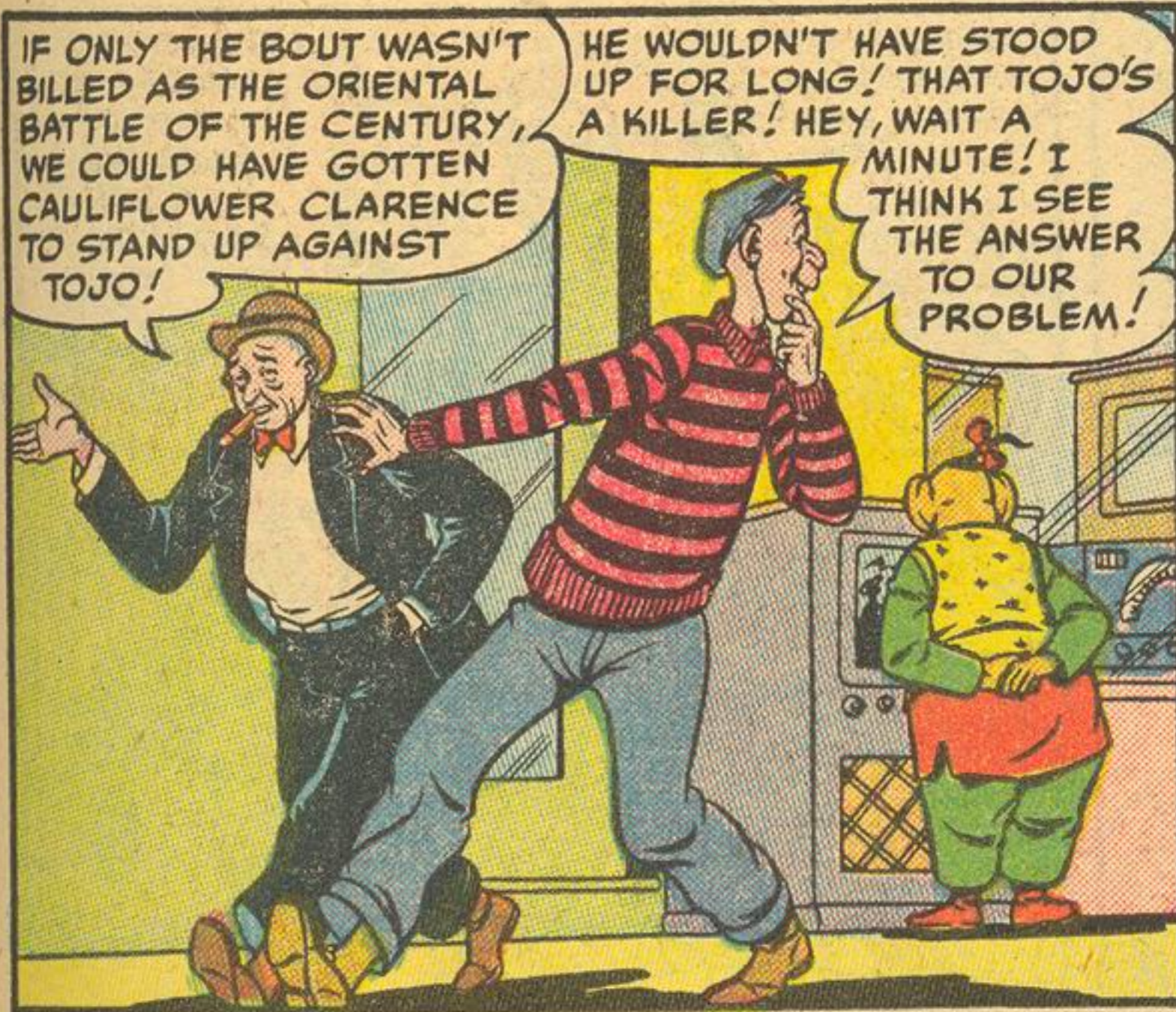
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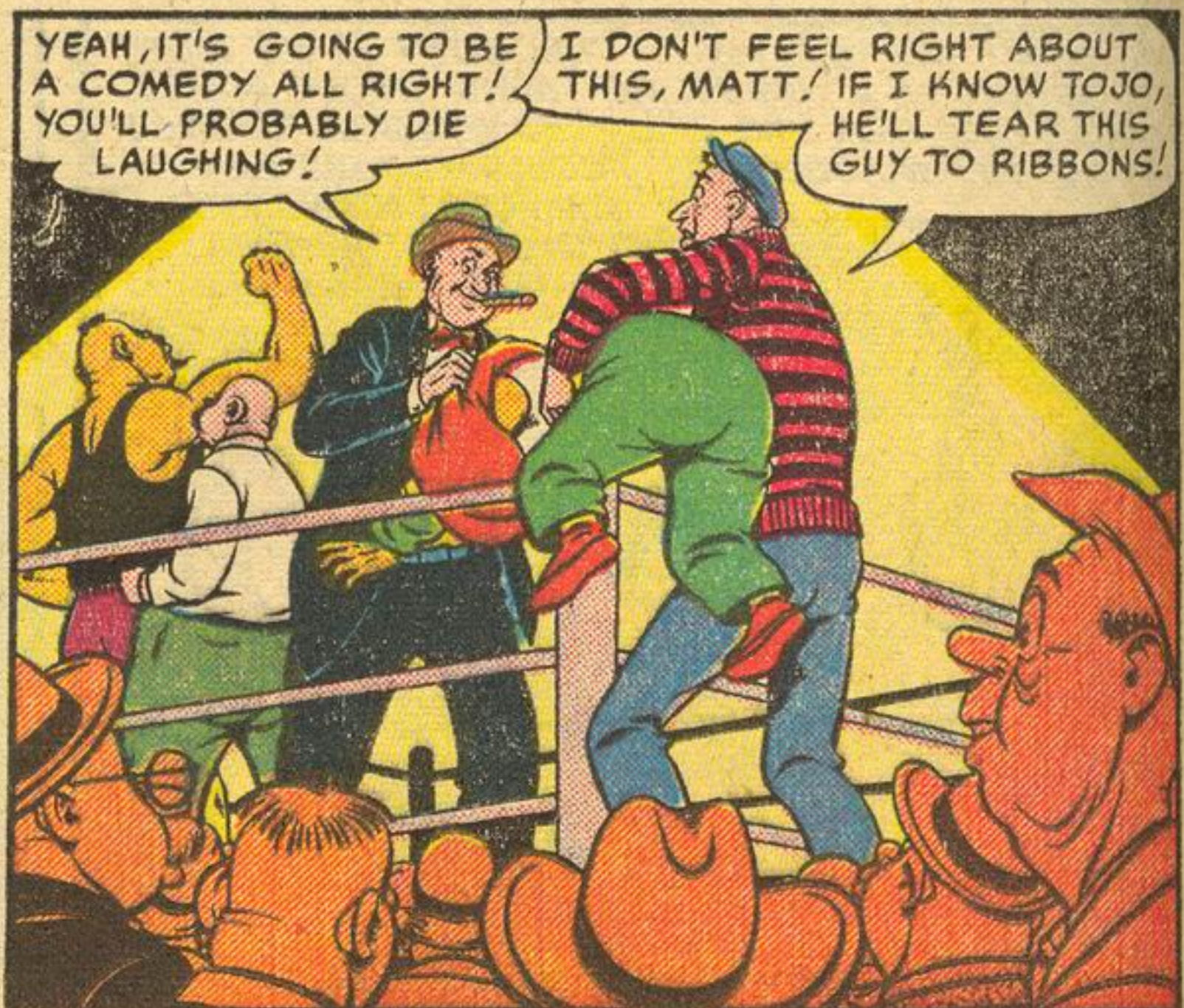
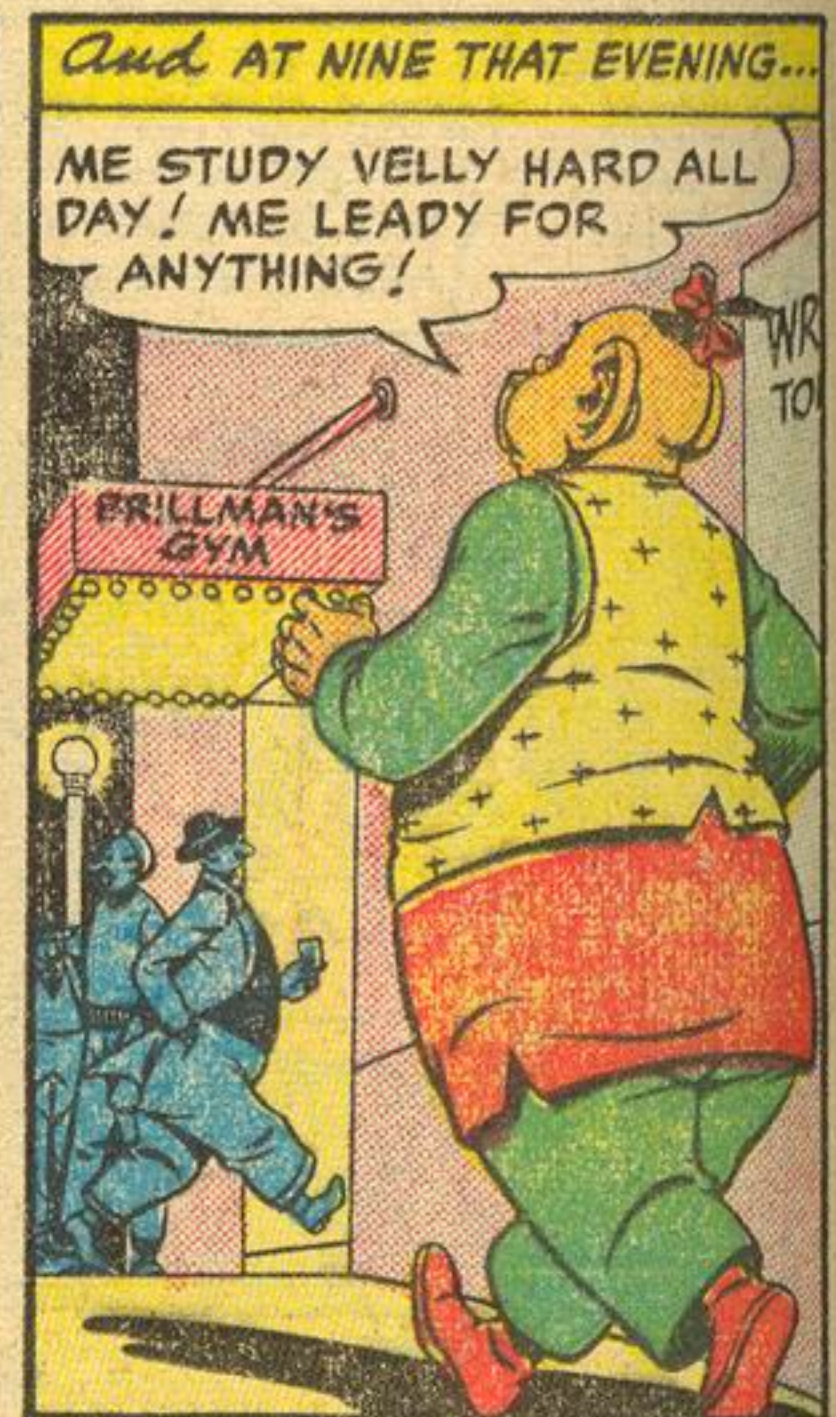
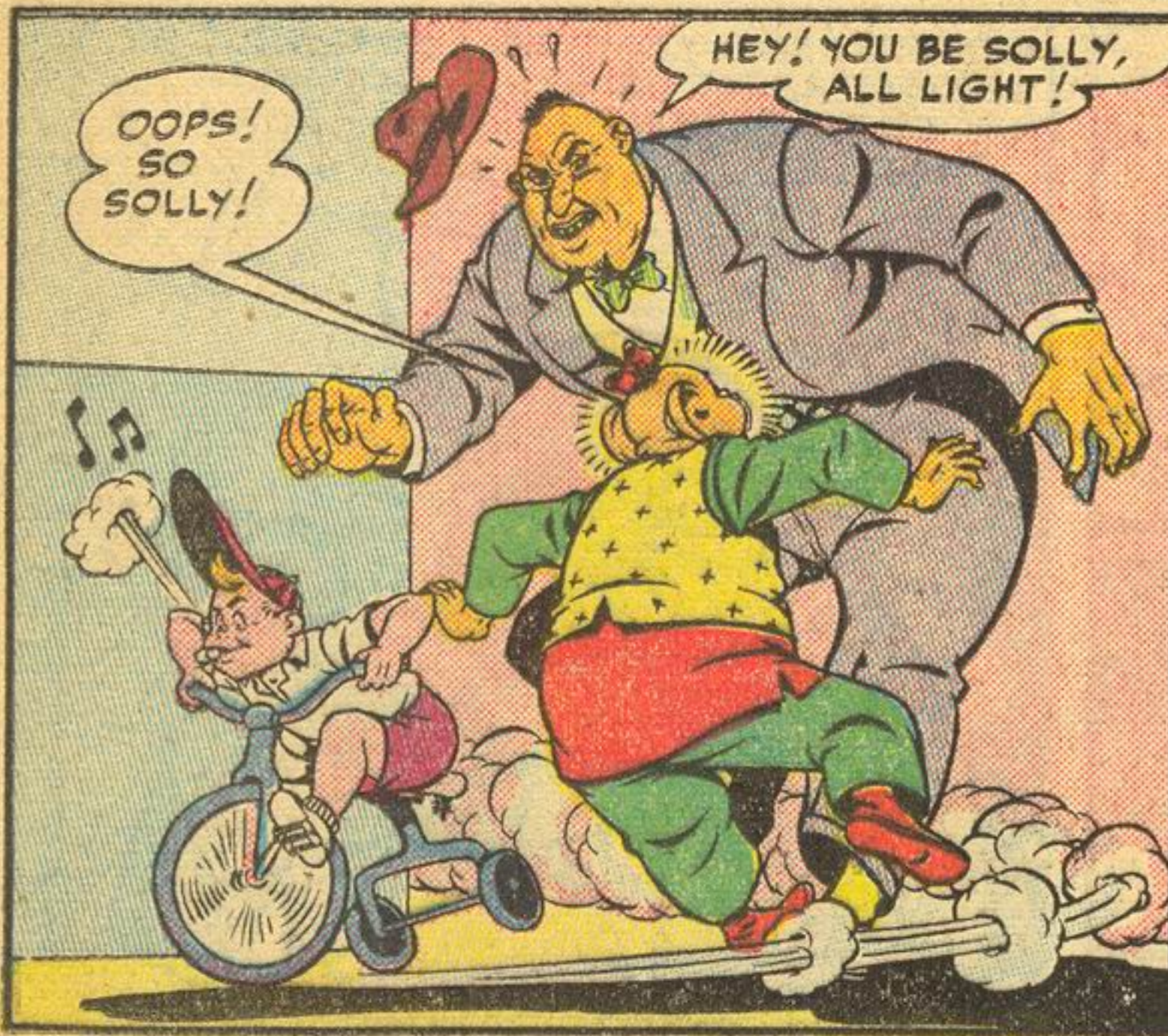




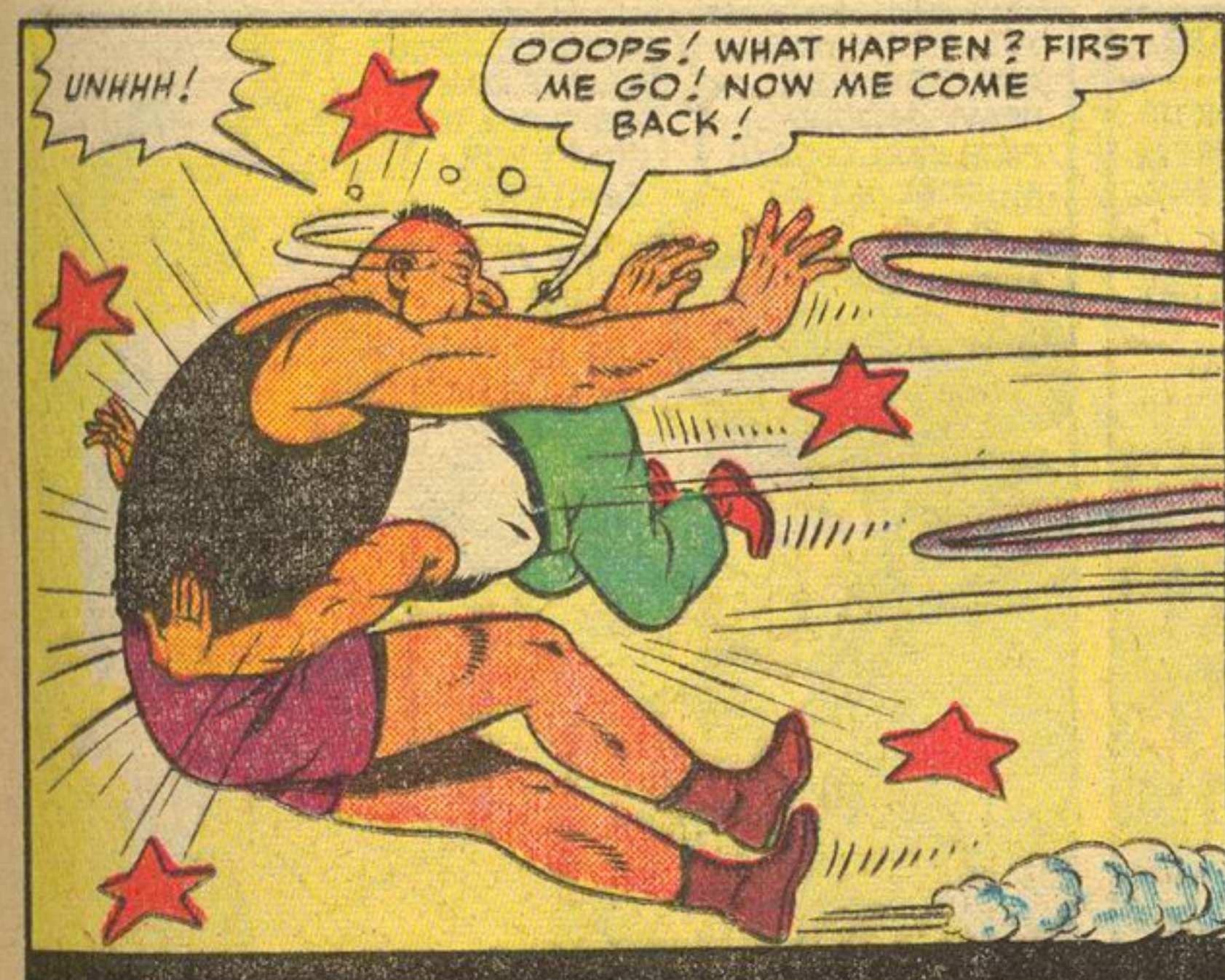
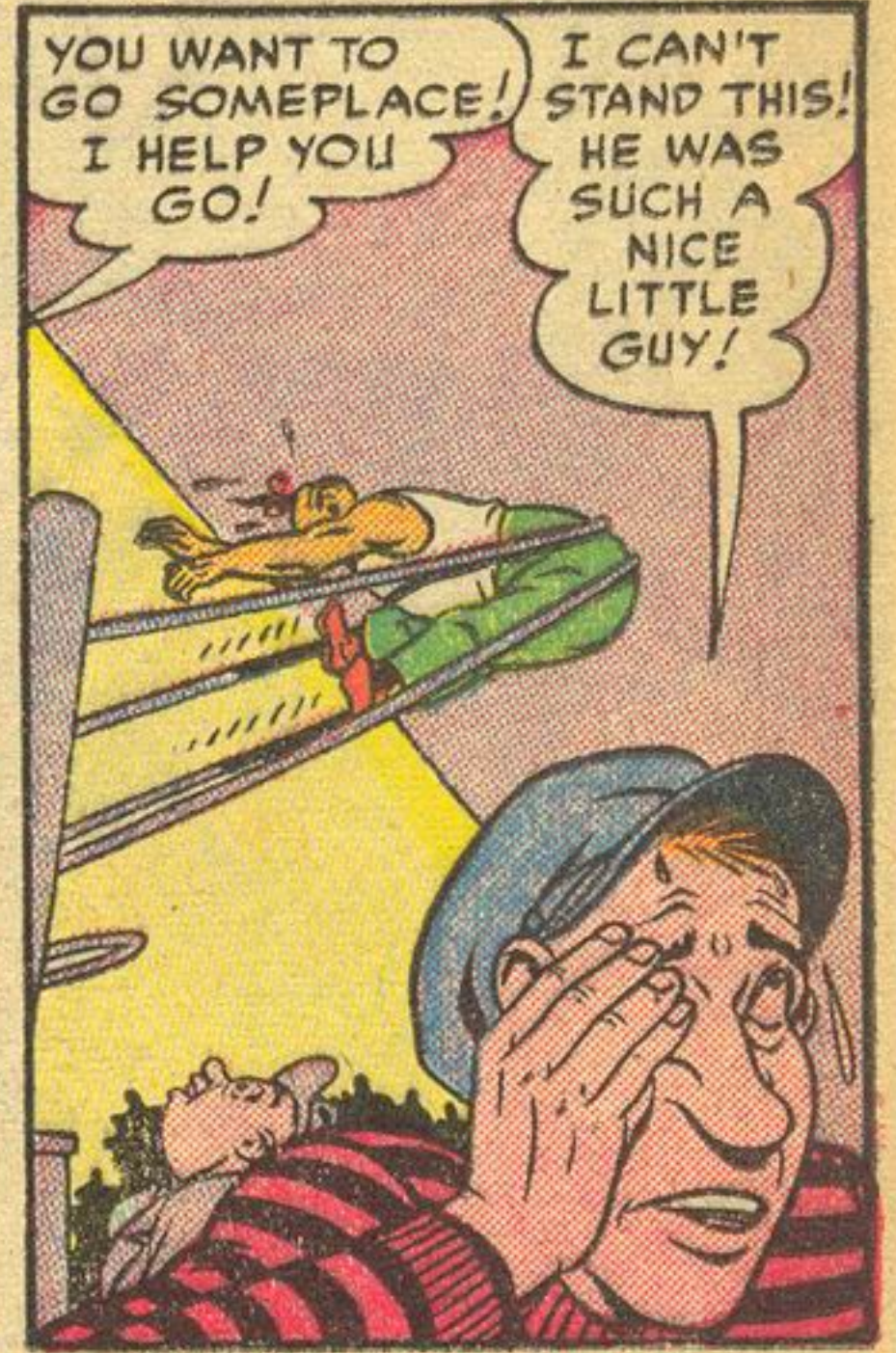
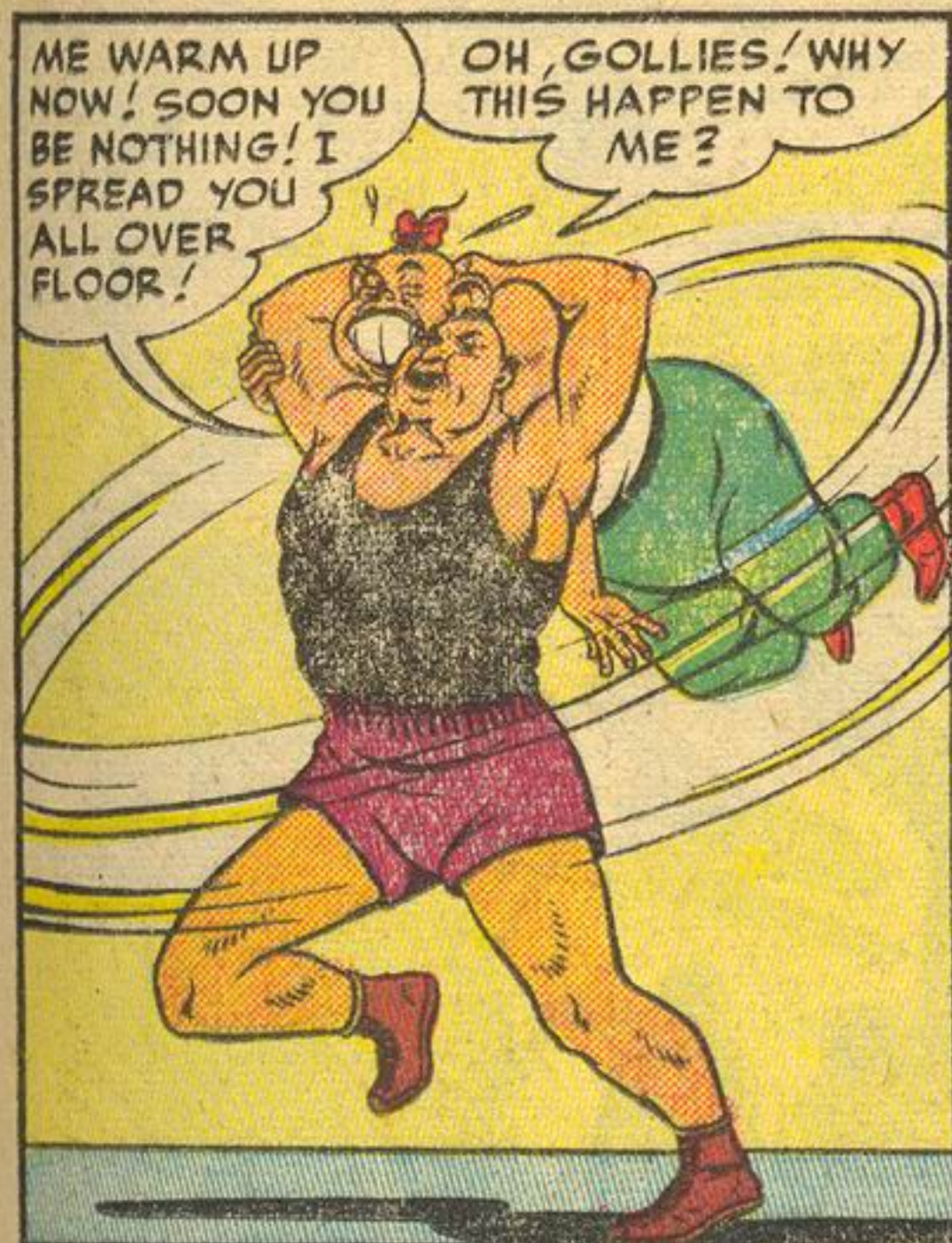
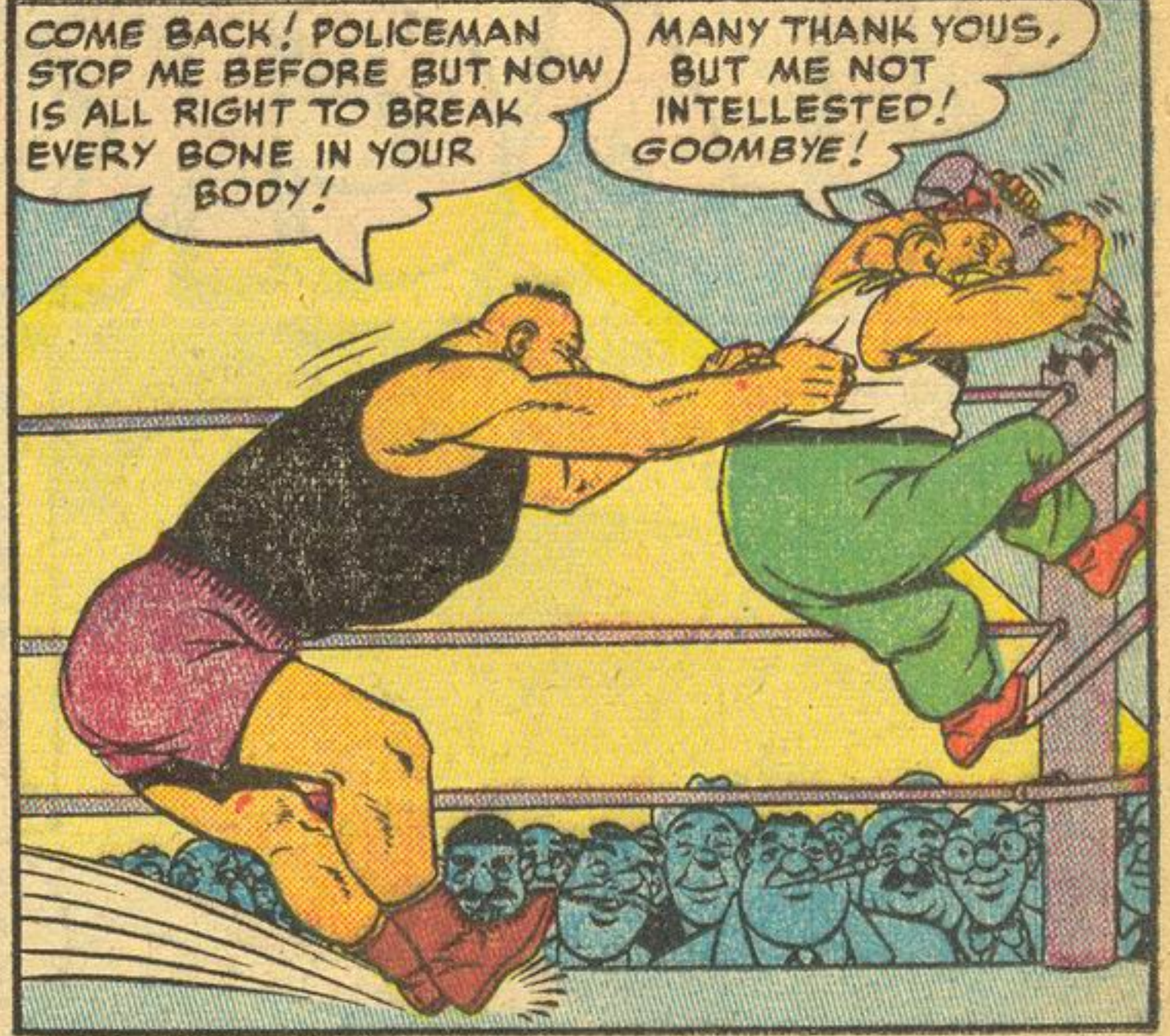
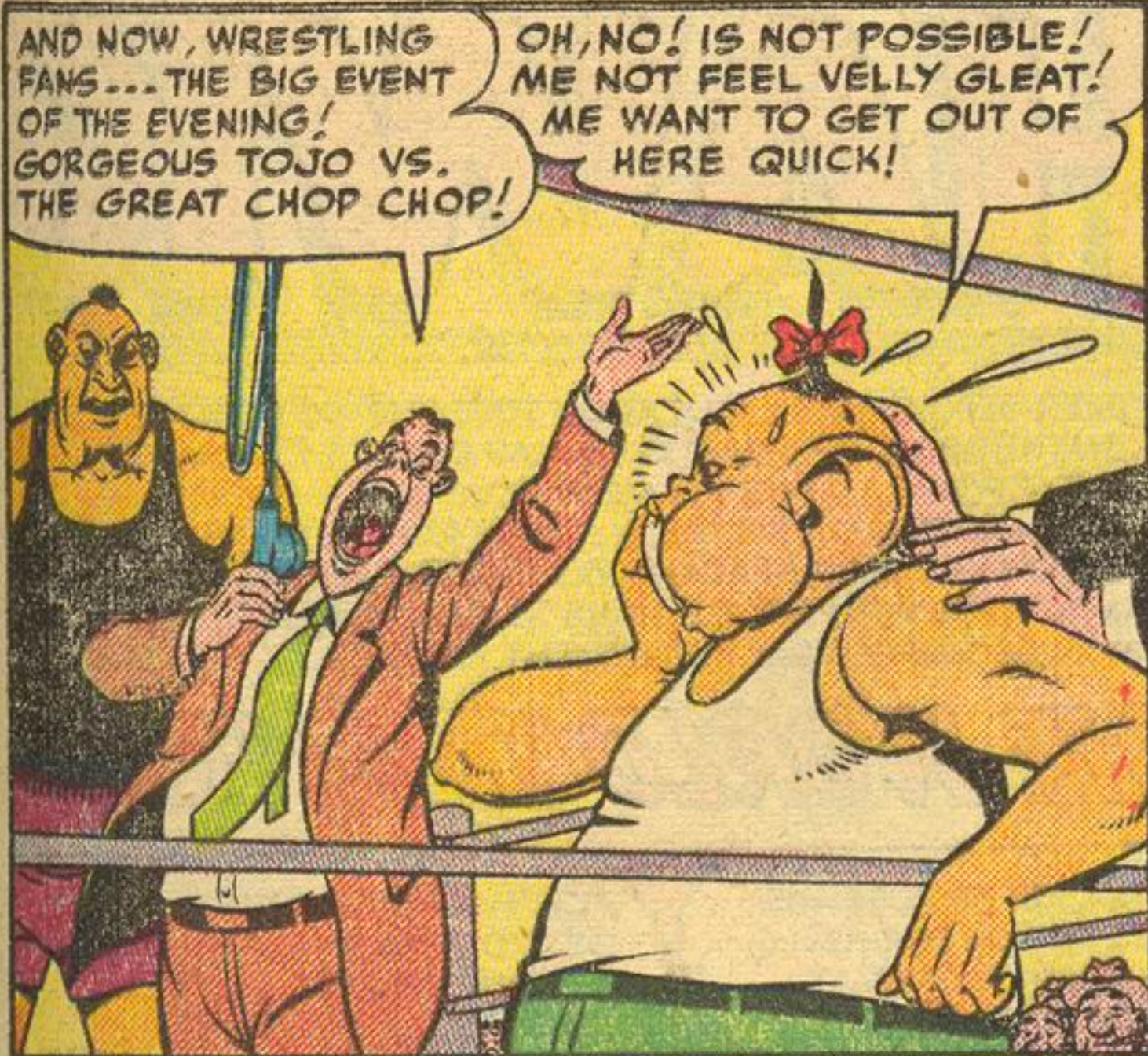














# BLACKHAWK

DESCEND AT ONCE, BLACKHAWKS!  
YOU KNOW MY PRICE TO SAVE  
CIVILIZATION IS *DICTATORSHIP*  
OF THE WORLD!

NEVER BEFORE HAS CIVILIZATION TOTTERED SO PRECARIOUSLY  
ON THE BRINK OF DISASTER! A MAD SCIENTIST STUMBLES  
UPON THE FORMULA FOR THE MOST POWERFUL WEAPON IN  
HISTORY AND DEMANDS TO BE SUPREME RULER OF THE WORLD!  
THUS, DO THE FAMED BLACKHAWKS FIND THEMSELVES IN A  
FRANTIC RACE WITH THE RUSSIANS TO GAIN POSSESSION OF  
THIS AWESOME COMBAT INSTRUMENT FROM...

## THE WORLD TRAITOR

S-SACRE! ZE RUSSIANS  
ARE HOT ON OUR HEELS,  
BLACKHAWK! WHAT  
ARE YOUR ORDERS?

FORWARD! IF WE DON'T  
GET TO THAT MADMAN  
BEFORE THE REDS DO THE  
FREE WORLD IS DOOMED!



ON THE TURKISH BORDER THE IMPATIENT BLACKHAWKS GLARE  
GRIMLY ACROSS THE IRON CURTAIN INTO RUSSIA!

SACRE! I FEAR SOMETHING  
HAS GONE WRONG, BLACK-  
HAWK! ZE UNDERGROUND  
SAID ZEY WOULD HAVE ZE  
SCIENTIST LUDSKI HERE  
AN HOUR AGO!

PERHAPS THEY WERE  
JUST DELAYED EN  
ROUTE, ANDRE! LET'S  
KEEP OUR FINGERS  
CROSSED!

LOOK UP  
THERE IN  
THE SKY...  
A  
LIGHT  
PLANE!



YES, STANISLAUS...  
AND IT'S UNDER  
HEAVY GROUND  
FIRE! KARL LUDSKI  
MUST BE IN THAT  
PLANE!

OH WOES! SOVIET  
BULLETS COMING  
TOO CLOSE TO  
CRAFT FOR  
COMFORT!







THE PLANE'S FLYING MOMENTUM WILL CARRY HER OVER THE BORDER, CHUCK! C'MON, MEN! WE'VE GOT A LITTLE MATTER OF TRESPASSING TO TAKE CARE OF!

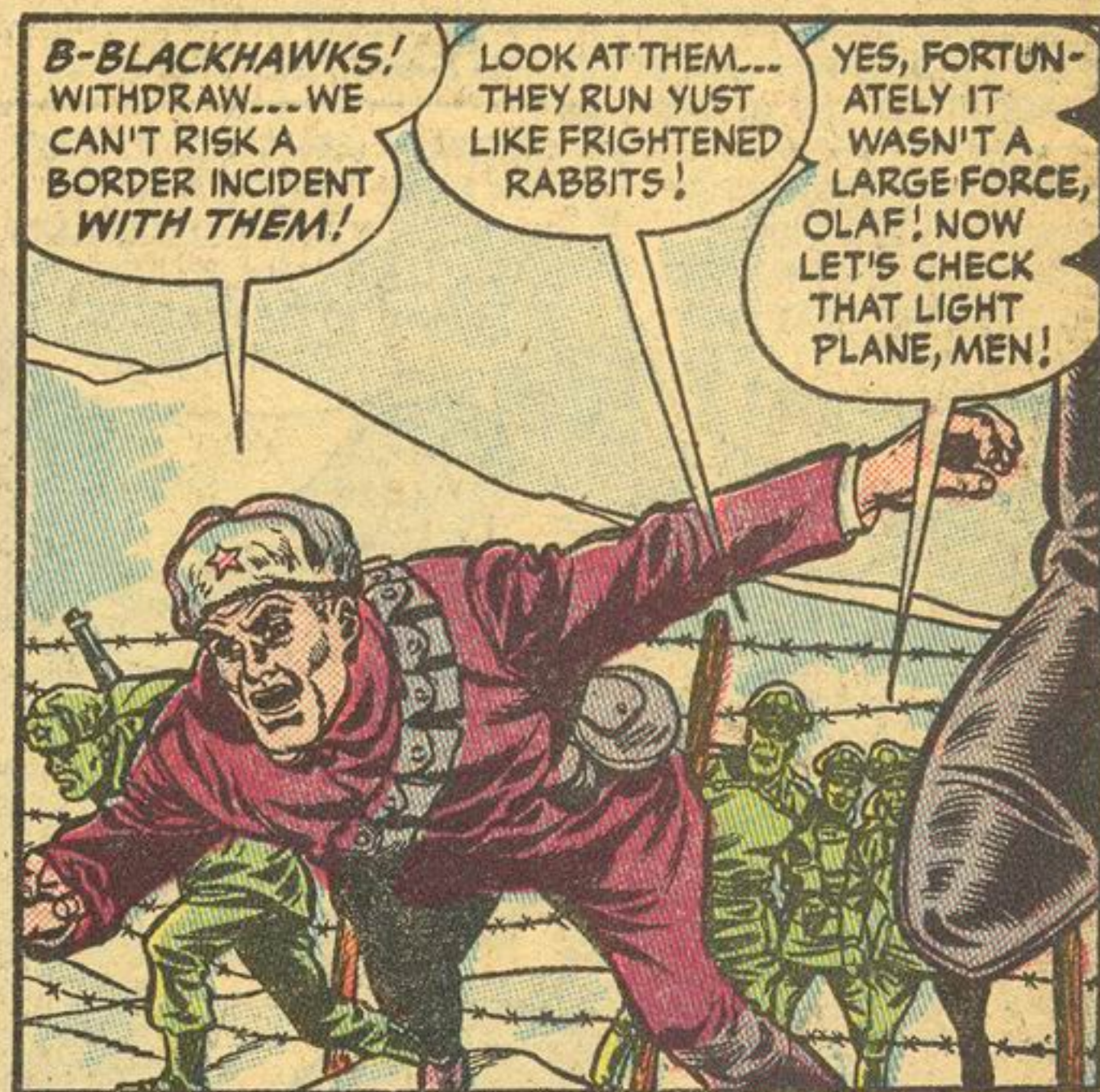


WE MAKE *SURE* DEY DON'T, BLACKHAWK!



**HAWK-A A A A**

OUI, ZE GRASS IS ALWAYS REDDER IN YOUR OWN BACK-YARD! HA, HA...I MAKE ZE JOKE!



B-BLACKHAWKS! WITHDRAW... WE CAN'T RISK A BORDER INCIDENT WITH THEM!

LOOK AT THEM... THEY RUN YUST LIKE FRIGHTENED RABBITS!

YES, FORTUNATELY IT WASN'T A LARGE FORCE, OLAF! NOW LET'S CHECK THAT LIGHT PLANE, MEN!



AS THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS REACH THE PLANE WRECKAGE...

THE COMMUNISTS DISCOVERED THE UNDERGROUND PLOT TO LIBERATE MEN AT THE LAST MOMENT! I-I STOLE THIS PLANE FROM THE AIR-FIELD!

I'M GLAD TO SEE YOU SAFE, SIR! AND I MIGHT ADD WE'RE ALL HAPPY THAT YOU'VE DECIDED TO COME OVER TO OUR SIDE! WE CAN USE A GREAT ATOMIC SCIENTIST!



THE PROPER AUTHORITIES MUST KNOW OF RUSSIA'S ATOMIC PROGRESS AT ONCE, BLACKHAWK! WHEN WILL IT BE POSSIBLE TO SPEAK TO YOUR SCIENTISTS?

VERY SHORTLY, SIR! WE BLACKHAWKS ARE GOING TO ESCORT YOU DIRECTLY TO OUR ATOMIC RESEARCH LAB!



THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS SPEED THE ESCAPED SCIENTIST TO FREE WORLD ATOMIC HEAD-QUARTERS!

BUT, DR. LUDSKI... WHERE IS THE DATA ON RUSSIA'S ATOMIC RESEARCH?

LOCKED IN MY MIND! YOU SEE, IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME TO STEAL ANY PAPERS OUTRIGHT! I WOULD LIKE TO RELATE THEM NOW... BUT MY HEAD... I AM SO TIRED!

DR. LUDSKI HAS JUST BEEN THROUGH A RUGGED ORDEAL! PERHAPS WE SHOULD WAIT UNTIL TOMORROW!



# BLACKHAWK

OF COURSE, YOU  
ARE RIGHT, BLACK-  
HAWK! HE NEEDS  
REST AND SLEEP!  
WE WILL FIND A  
PLACE FOR HIM  
RIGHT HERE AT  
HEADQUARTERS!

AFTER TAKING A  
LOOK AT MY MEN  
I'D SAY WE COULD  
ALL DO WITH A  
LITTLE SHUT-EYE!  
HOW ABOUT IT,  
BOYS?

oui!

YAH!

**AFTER THE FAMED FLYING SEVEN BUNK DOWN FOR THE NIGHT THE SHRILL SHRIEK OF A SIREN FILLS THE AIR!**

AW, WHAT A TIME FOR  
THIS TO HAPPEN! CAN'T  
A GUY CATCH SOME  
SLEEP?

ON YOUR FEET, MEN!  
THREE BLASTS... THAT MEANS  
SOMEONE HAS BROKEN INTO  
THE RECORD ROOM OF THE  
LAB!

A man in a blue coat sits on a bed in a crowded hospital ward, reading a newspaper. Several other beds with yellow blankets are visible, some occupied by patients.

**WITH LIGHTNING-LIKE SPEED THE MIGHTY BLACKHAWKS RESPOND TO THE ALARM!**

THAT RUSSIAN SCIENTIST  
WHO ARRIVED HERE TO-  
NIGHT...HE JUST BELTED  
US OVER THE HEAD AND  
BROKE INTO THE LAB!  
I-I THINK HE WENT  
THAT WAY---

**LUDSKI!** WE'VE GOT TO STOP HIM, MEN! THERE'S A GOOD CHANCE HIS SUPPOSED ESCAPE WAS ALL A PHONY BY THE RUSSIANS TO GAIN ACCESS TO OUR FILES!

A man in a yellow suit and glasses is pointing his finger at a man in a blue uniform who is lying face down on a yellow floor. The man in the blue uniform is wearing a cap and has a red mark on his back. A blue cap lies on the floor near the man in the blue uniform. In the background, there is a wooden door and a wooden cabinet. A red hat is visible on the left side of the frame.

THERE HE IS! LUDSKI,  
COME BACK! YOU'LL  
NEVER GET AWAY  
WITH THIS!

THAT'S WHAT  
YOU THINK,  
BLACKHAWK!

SACRE!  
MY EYES...  
I CANNOT  
SEE...

YUMPIN'  
YIMINY...  
I BAN  
GROGGY!

A SMOKE  
BOMB!  
MAKE FOR  
THE  
OXYGEN  
HOSE... IT'S  
OUR ONLY  
CHANCE!

**STUMBLING BLINDLY TO THE HOSE  
BLACKHAWK SUMMONS JUST ENOUGH  
STRENGTH TO TURN IT ON BEFORE PASS-  
ING OUT!**

T-THE PRESSURE...MIGHT  
BLOW SMOKE AWAY...SURE HOPE SO..  
WE'RE FINISHED UNLESS THE OXYGEN  
COUNTERACTS THE NOXIOUS FUMES  
WE INHALED!

**FINALLY WHEN FRESH AIR HAS FILLED THE LUNGS OF THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS...**

Z-ZE RUSSIAN  
HAS ESCAPED!  
SO...IT WAS ALL  
A TRICK TO ROB  
US OF OUR  
SECRET ATOMIC  
PAPERS!

IT... APPEARS SO,  
ANDRE! STILL, LUDSKI'S  
FLIGHT FROM RUSSIA  
LOOKED LIKE THE REAL  
THING! I CAN'T FIGURE  
IT!

A comic book illustration showing a man in a blue uniform looking distressed, with a large orange and yellow explosion or fire in the background.



TWO DAYS LATER THE BLACKHAWKS LEARN THE STARTLING TRUTH AS THEY LISTEN TO RADIO MOSCOW IN THE FRENCH HEAD-QUARTERS!

REMEMBER THE NAME WELL...KARL LUDSKI...HE BETRAYED RUSSIA! HE ESCAPED ACROSS THE TURKISH BORDER TO JOIN THE WAR MONGERING BLACKHAWKS! HE WILL BE SHOT ON SIGHT!

SACRE BLEU, BLACKHAWK! ZE KREMLIN RATS DO WANT LUDSKI!

YES, ANDRE, THAT ATTEMPT THE REDS MADE TO KILL HIM AT THE BORDER WAS MIGHTY REALISTIC! BUT WHAT CAN IT MEAN? WHY WOULD HE STEAL OUR SECRET PLANS?



THEN THE AIR WAVES ARE JAMMED...THE BLACKHAWKS SIT BACK IN STUNNED AMAZEMENT AS THEY HEAR...

BURRRRP BURRP SQUEEEE... HELLO! HELLO! THIS IS KARL LUDSKI! I AM SERVING NOTICE UPON THE WORLD! I INTEND TO BE YOUR WORLD RULER...

GREAT SCOTT! LUDSKI...

ACH DU LIEBER! VOT CAN HE BE UP TO?



MILES AWAY KARL LUDSKI SCREAMS INTO HIS SECRET RADIO!

I HAVE OUTWITTED THE GREAT POWERS OF THE WORLD... IN RUSSIA I HAVE MEMORIZED ASTOUNDING NEW EXPERIMENTS IN ATOMIC RESEARCH! AND IN FRANCE I HAVE STOLEN VITAL EXPERIMENTAL PAPERS ON THE SAME! LISTEN CLOSELY, COMBINED THESE ATOMIC SECRETS GIVE ME POSSESSION OF A CATAclysmic NEW EXPLOSIVE THAT CAN DESTROY THE WORLD!



TENSE EXCITEMENT SWEEPS BLACKHAWK HEADQUARTERS AS LUDSKI CONTINUES!

IN THREE HOURS WITH JUST A MINUTE DROP OF MY FORMULA I WILL DESTROY THE TOWN OF VICHYE! THIS SHALL BE MY PROOF BEFORE WE COME TO TERMS!

ANDRE! HAVE THE RADIO TECHNICIANS TAKE A FIX ON LUDSKI'S LOCATION THROUGH HIS RADIO WAVE LENGTH!



FAREWELL UNTIL DOOM!

OUI, BLACKHAWK! LUDSKI MAY BE CRAZY IN ZE HEAD BUT HE DOES HAVE ZE DANGEROUS ATOMIC INFORMATION! WE CANNOT TAKE ZE CHANCE!

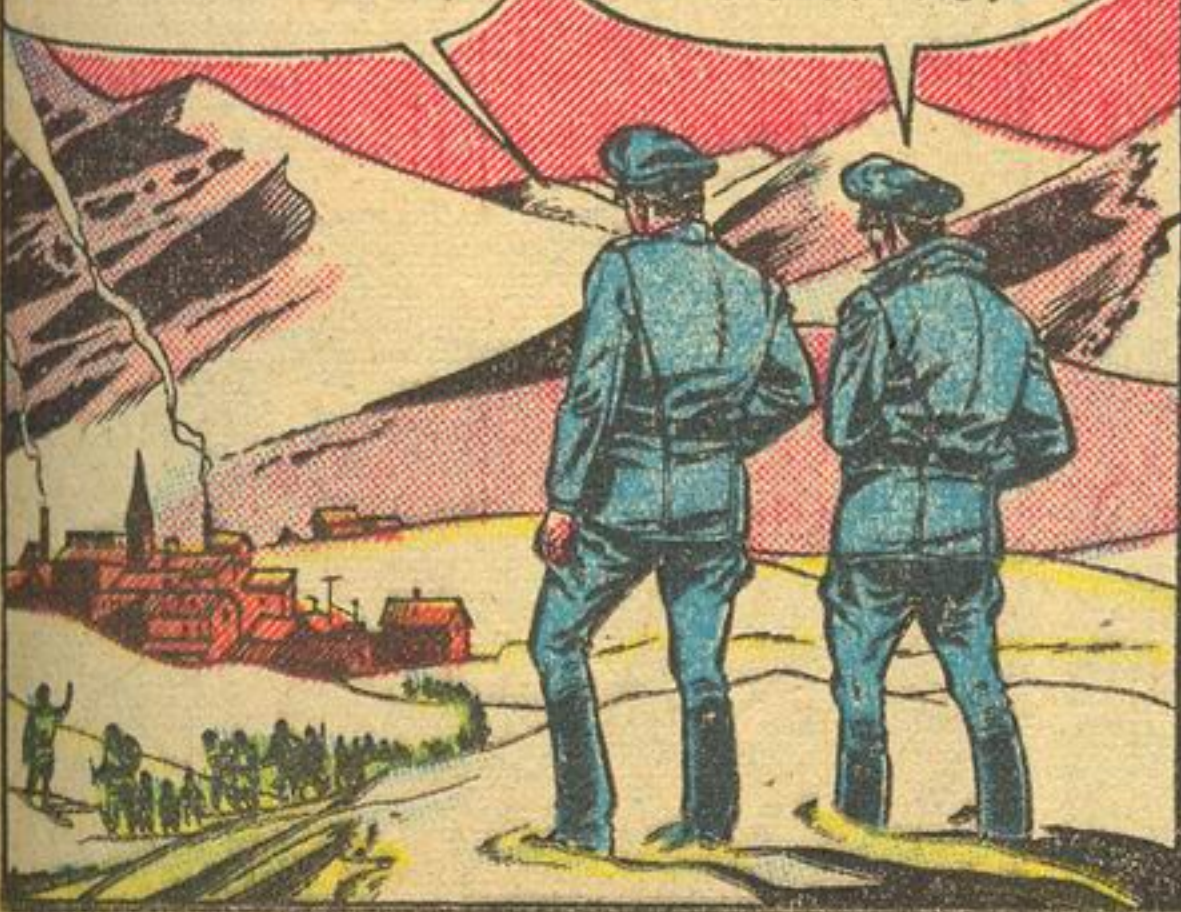
MADMAN OR GENIUS WE'VE GOT TO MAKE SURE THE CITIZENS OF VICHYE ARE PROTECTED FROM LUDSKI'S FANATICAL THREAT! WE MUST HELP EVACUATE THEM AT ONCE! ANDRE, MEET US THERE...



AND LATER AS THE BLACKHAWKS GRIMLY ASSIST IN THE EVACUATION OF VICHYE!

OUR SIDE OF THE TOWN'S CLEARED, BLACKHAWK... AND THE ARMY HAS CLEARED THE OTHER! WHAT DO WE DO NOW?

CLEAR OUT OURSELVES, CHUCK! THAT MONSTER'S DEADLINE TIME OF THREE HOURS WILL BE UP IN SIX MINUTES! LET'S HOPE HE'S BLUFFING!



EXACTLY SIX MINUTES LATER A FEARFUL FORCE IS UNLEASHED IN THE TOWN OF VICHYE AND...

ACH HIMMEL!

THE WHOLE TOWN BAN VANISH!

HE'S A GENIUS... AND MAD, MEN! REMEMBER, HE SAID HE WAS GOING TO EXPLODE ONLY A TINY PORTION OF THE FORMULA!



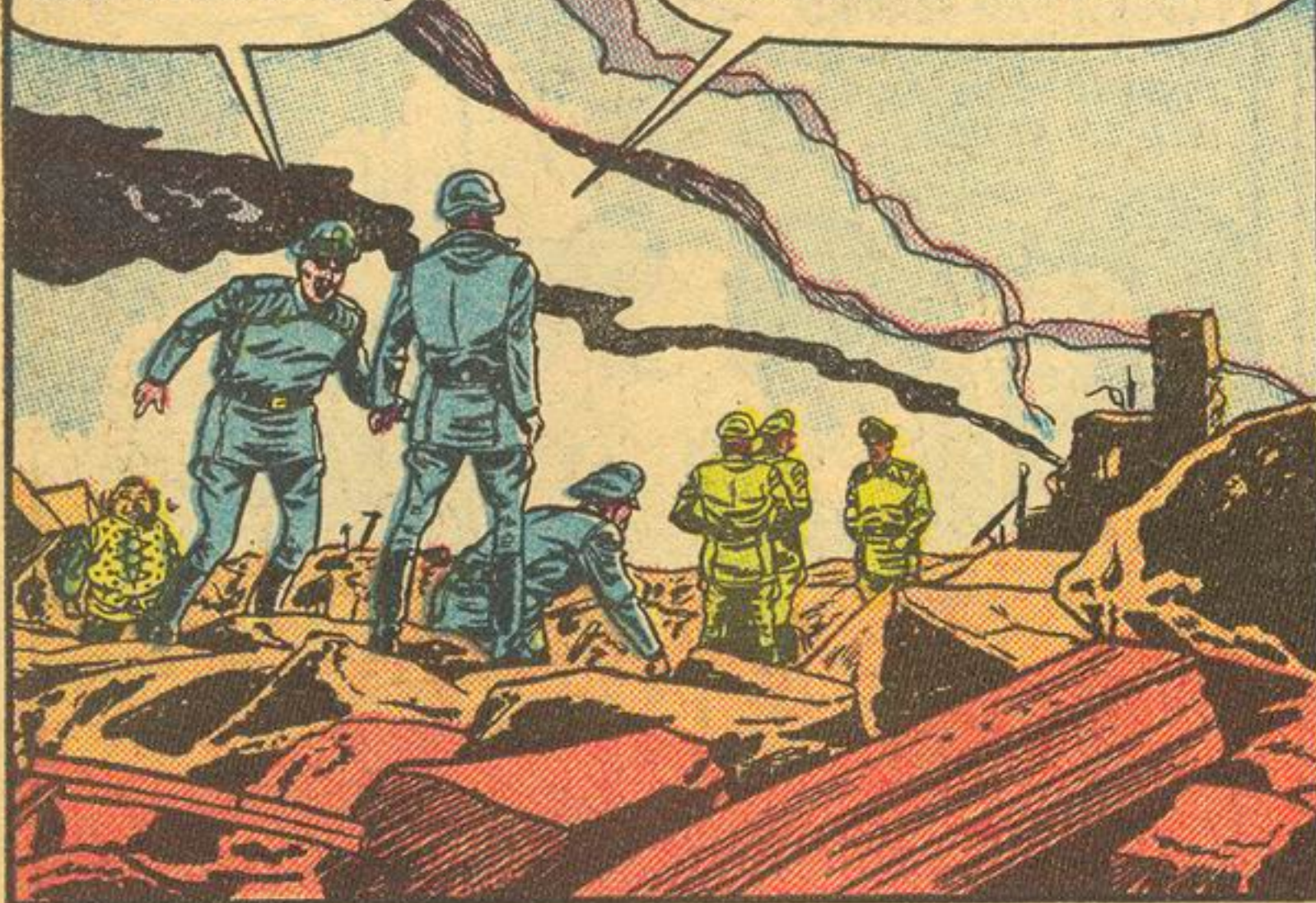


# BLACKHAWK

AS THE SHOCKED BLACKHAWKS SURVEY THE SCENE OF DEVASTATION...

SACRE BLEU! NEVAIR HAVE I SEEN SUCH DEVASTATION!

ANDRE....QUICK! DID THE RADIO BOYS GET A FIX ON LUDSKI'S BROADCASTING WAVE LENGTH?



OUI, BLACKHAWK, ZEY SAY ZE BROADCAST CAME FROM WITHIN THEES SIX MILE SQUARE AREA IN ZE SWISS ALPS! IT COULD NOT BE PINPOINTED CLOSER THAN ZE BRUNHUST MOUNTAIN AREA!

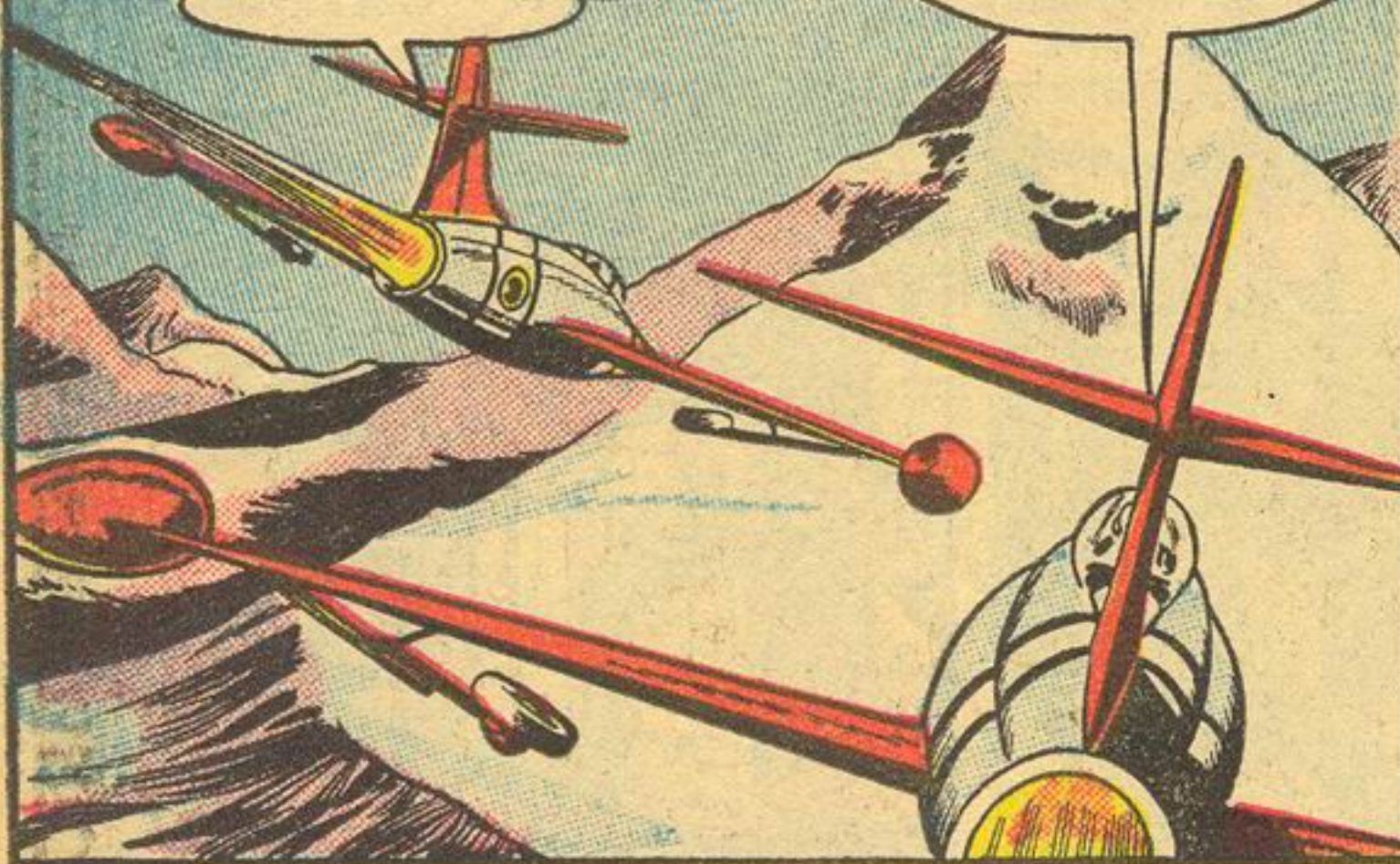
THAT'S CLOSE ENOUGH... BUT COMBING THOSE ALPS WILL BE ROUGH! LET'S HIT OUR JETS AND GET MOVING, MEN!



BRUNHUST MOUNTAIN...THE BLACKHAWK JETS SWEEP DOWN FOR A LANDING AT THE MOUNTAIN BASE!

WE'VE GOT TO MOVE FAST, MEN! THERE'S NO TELLING WHEN THAT MURDEROUS CRACKPOT WILL CHANGE HIS BASE OF OPERATIONS!

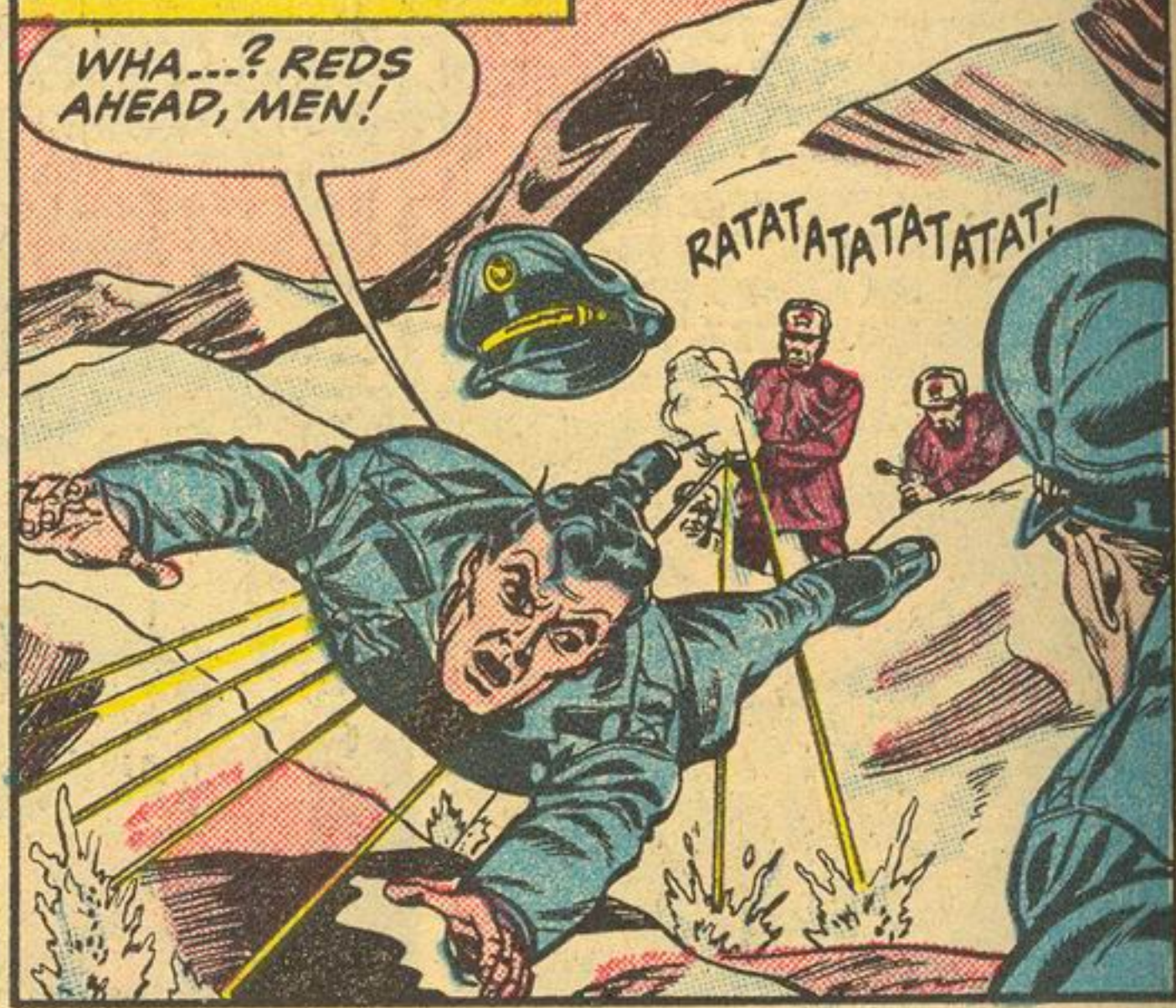
JA, BLACKHAWK! A-BOMBS LOOK LIKE FIRECRACKERS ALONGSIDE A GALLON OF THAT STUFF!



SWIFTLY BUT CAUTIOUSLY THE BLACKHAWKS MOVE INTO THE ALPS! THEN SUDDENLY---

WHA...? REDS AHEAD, MEN!

RATATATATATAT!



THE BLACKHAWKS SURGE INTO ACTION AGAINST THE RED NEST!

HAWKAAAA!



WHEN THE RUSSIAN PARTY HAS BEEN SUBDUED!

WE ARE SORRY! WE ARE ONLY TRYING TO SAVE THE WORLD FROM LUDSKI AS YOU ARE! AT A TIME LIKE THIS WE MUST WORK TOGETHER!

THE DESTINY OF THE WORLD MIGHT HINGE ON OUR WORKING TOGETHER! BUT ONLY IF YOU THROW YOUR WEAPONS ASIDE! TOO MANY COMMIES WANT OUR SCALPS!



WITH THE BLACKHAWKS WE WILL NOT NEED WEAPONS! IT IS A PLEASURE!

GOOD! ONCE WE FIND LUDSKI'S LAIR WE CAN SURROUND HIM!

I DON'T TRUST THESE COMMUNISTS BUT FOR THE MOMENT WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO STOP WORLD DESTRUCTION BY LUDSKI! WE CAN DEAL WITH THEM LATER!





TWENTY MINUTES LATER AS THE BLACKHAWKS ROUND THE SOUTH SLOPE!



MON DIEU!  
ZE RADIO  
AERIAL...

AND THERE'S  
THE HIDEOUT...  
DOWN BELOW  
COVERED WITH  
SNOW!

MOVE IN, MEN...EASY  
DOES IT! WE DON'T  
KNOW HOW MANY  
HENCHMEN HE MIGHT  
HAVE WITH HIM!

CAUTIOUSLY THE BLACKHAWKS CREEP UP TO THE CABIN! THEN....



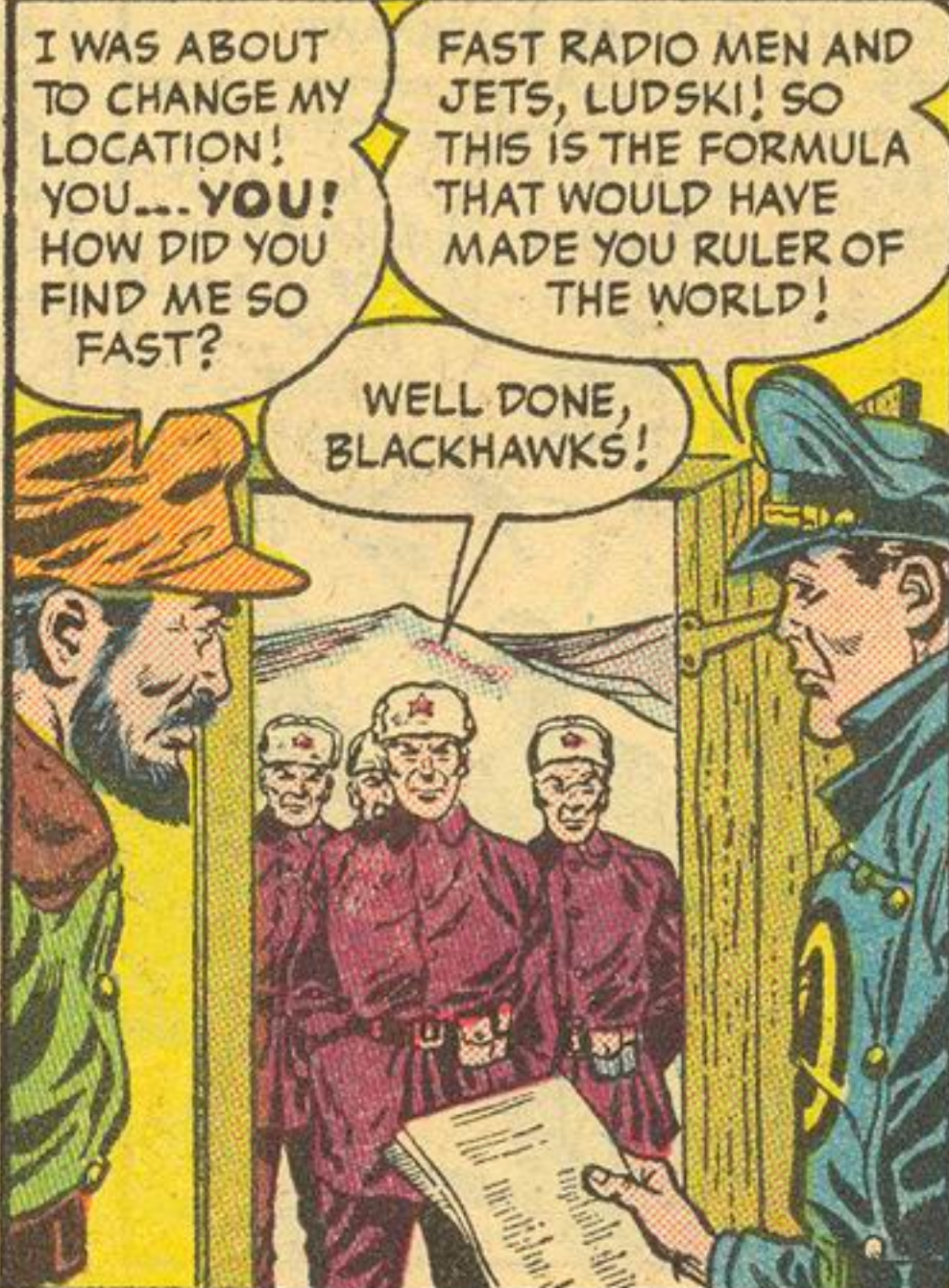
GAMES UP,  
LUDSKI!

NO! NO! KILL THEM!  
I MUST NOT BE  
STOPPED NOW!



YOU BAN  
GO TO  
SLEEP!

YOU'RE A SICK MAN,  
LUDSKI! THE ONLY WORLD  
YOU'RE GOING TO DOMIN-  
ATE IS THAT DREAM ONE  
INSIDE YOUR HEAD! I'LL  
TAKE THAT FORMULA!



I WAS ABOUT  
TO CHANGE MY  
LOCATION!  
YOU...YOU!  
HOW DID YOU  
FIND ME SO  
FAST?

FAST RADIO MEN AND  
JETS, LUDSKI! SO  
THIS IS THE FORMULA  
THAT WOULD HAVE  
MADE YOU RULER OF  
THE WORLD!

WELL DONE,  
BLACKHAWKS!



AS THE RUSSIAN LEADER MOVES INSIDE HIS  
HAND SUDDENLY DARTS OUT!

I WILL TAKE THAT FORMULA,  
BLACKHAWK! WE ARE DIS-  
SOLVING OUR PARTNERSHIP!  
SEIZE LUDSKI! DRAG THE  
SWINE OUTSIDE!

ACH! DER  
DOUBLE  
CROSSING  
DOGS! DEY  
CONCEALED  
A WEAPON!

WHA...?



LUDSKI WILL SHOW US EXACTLY WHAT FORMULA HE  
MEMORIZED FROM OUR ATOMIC FILES! AND THAT  
WITH THE FREE WORLD FORMULA WILL GIVE THE  
KREMLIN CONTROL OF THE WORLD! DO NOT  
MOVE! IF YOUR MEN ATTACK I WILL SURELY  
KILL YOU BEFORE THEY GET TO ME!

STEADY,  
MEN!



WHEN THE RUSSIAN LEADER SLAMS THE DOOR....

B-BUT, MES AMI! WE MUST DO  
SOMETHING EVEN EEF IT MEANS  
A BLACKHAWK LIFE! ZEY WILL  
OWN ZE WORLD WEETH ZAT  
SECRET!

RIGHT, ANDRE! HIT  
THEM FROM THE  
DOORWAY... I'M  
TAKING A SHORT  
CUT!



OUTSIDE TWO HUNDRED POUNDS OF BLACKHAWK FURY PLUMMETS INTO THE KREMLIN CUTTHROATS AS...

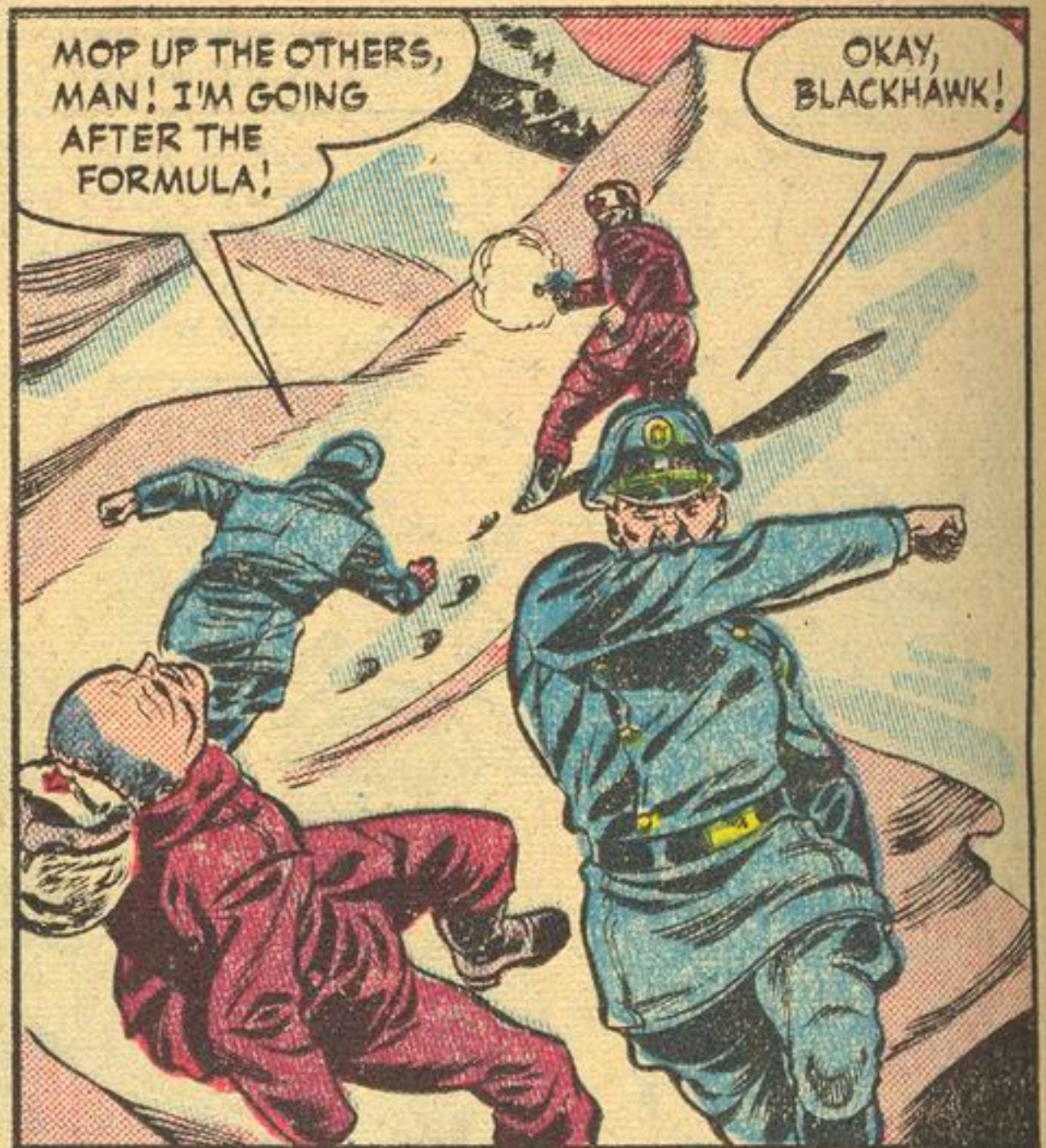
YIIIIIIPE!

THE GUN... GOT TO GET THE ONE WITH THE GUN...



MOP UP THE OTHERS, MAN! I'M GOING AFTER THE FORMULA!

OKAY, BLACKHAWK!



ONE FREE SHOT IS ALL YOU GET, PAL---



A MOMENT LATER AS BLACKHAWK STUDIES THE FORMULA!

THEY BAN RUN OFF LIKE FRIGHTENED SHEEP!

OUI! BUT WE HAVE LUDSKI... ZE IMPORTANT ONE!

GOOD WORK, MEN... AND I HAVE THE FORMULA! WHA...? THAT NOISE!



AVALANCHE! THAT RUSSIAN'S GUNFIRE SET OFF AN AVALANCHE! INSIDE THE CAVE, MEN! HURRY!

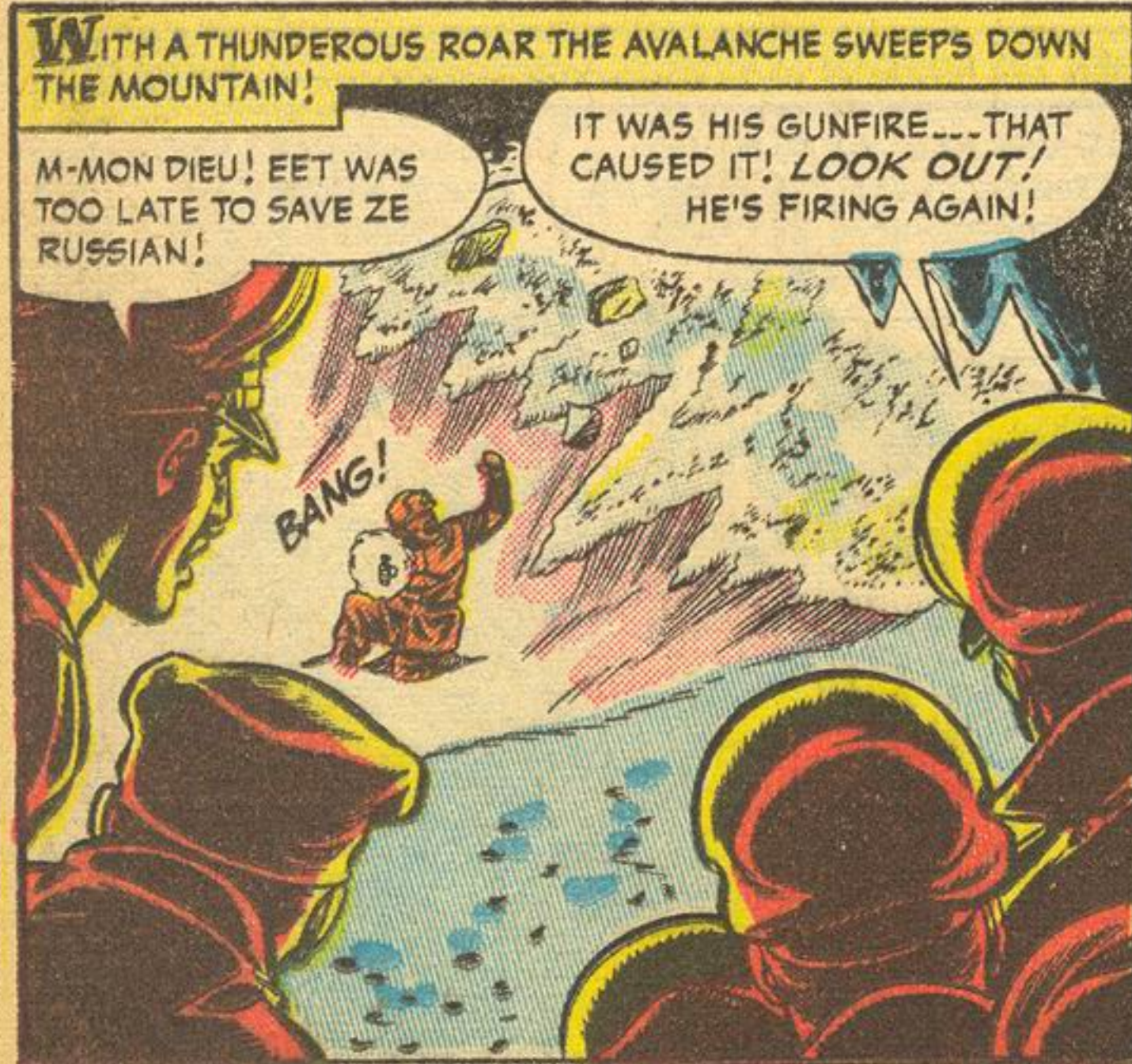
SACRE BLEU!



WITH A THUNDEROUS ROAR THE AVALANCHE SWEEPS DOWN THE MOUNTAIN!

M-MON DIEU! EET WAS TOO LATE TO SAVE ZE RUSSIAN!

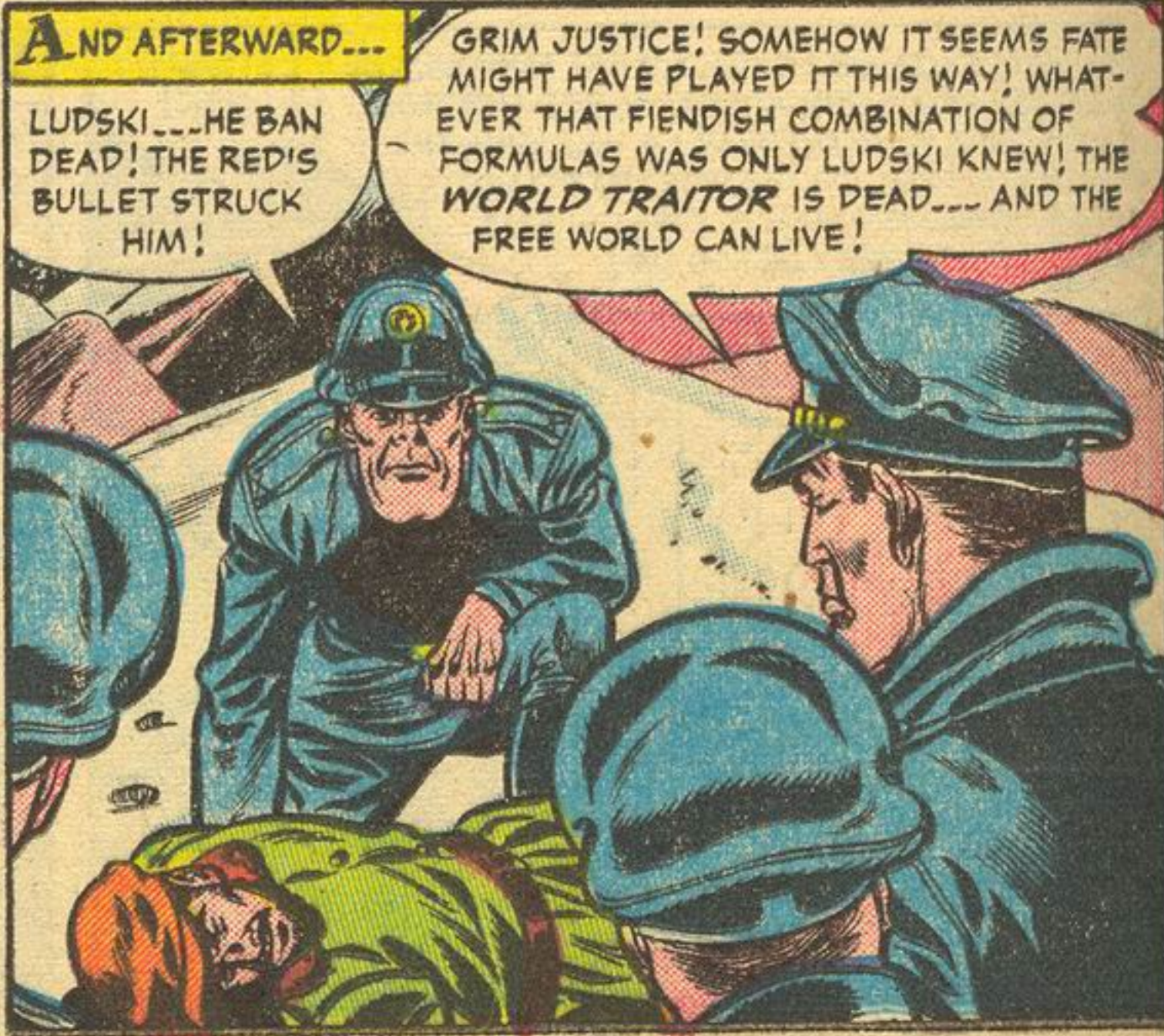
IT WAS HIS GUNFIRE... THAT CAUSED IT! LOOK OUT! HE'S FIRING AGAIN!



AND AFTERWARD...

LUDSKI... HE BAN DEAD! THE RED'S BULLET STRUCK HIM!

GRIM JUSTICE! SOMEHOW IT SEEMS FATE MIGHT HAVE PLAYED IT THIS WAY! WHATEVER THAT FIENDISH COMBINATION OF FORMULAS WAS ONLY LUDSKI KNEW! THE WORLD TRAITOR IS DEAD... AND THE FREE WORLD CAN LIVE!





# The Wild Jungle

ONE after another the Blackhawks crept silently from the jungle and knelt to stare down at the weird scene below. Behind them the river burbled sullenly between the dark walls of jungle. Screams of jungle animals and the grunting bellow of caymen and alligators made the night hideous. But down below was a scene that put all the other nightmare aspects to shame.

"Py Yudas," whispered Olaf at Blackhawk's shoulder. "Dere must be a t'ousand of dose yumping yacks."

"At least," Blackhawk said soberly. He scowled at the circle of campfires lighting the hollow below, and at the capering forms of the natives, leaping and howling around a pyramid of human heads. "The Og-lutes are the last, and worst, of the untamed head-hunters. Durie must have scared them plenty to win his position."

The seven Blackhawks peered out at the knot of white men beside the pyramid. There were a dozen bodyguards surrounding their leader, the malevolent, Durie. Durie was short and built like a bull.

"Wow," Chuck whispered. "I hope Chop Chop does his little trick in good order. I'd hate to meet that pack of throat-shavers when they had their wits about them."

"It will work," Blackhawk reassured him. "The Chinese have centuries of experience in that work behind them. Chop Chop never fails us and he won't fail us now."

For weeks the Blackhawks had been hunting Durie's hideout and they had finally found it here in the depths of the jungle. But by cruelty and fear, Durie had gained domination over the most savage tribe in the jungle. It was obvious from their evening of spying that any attempt to take Durie would bring the whole tribe down upon them with murderous intent. A trick, suggested by little Chop Chop, their Chinese cook, had offered the best hope. Now only time would tell.

Suddenly a hot wind touched their backs, whistling and wailing through the trees. Down

below, it sent the fires to leaping, scattering smoke and sparks, and the dancing savages drew closer together.

"That's what I thought," Blackhawk said. "They are afraid of the night wind. Get set, gang. We'll get action any moment."

Before his words had died, a shrill screech rang above the jungle noises. It came from the darkness above and a moment later a terrible grinning face appeared in the sky. It poised there, leering and bobbing, emitting those inhuman screams, seeming to smirk in triumph at the scene below.

From the throats of the savages came a wild moaning howl of terror. Above it rang the harsh rasp of Durie's voice as he cursed them and shouted orders to his armed hoods. But there was a noticeable quaver in Durie's voice and his thugs seemed unwilling to leave his side.

Then the wild vision overhead suddenly increased its screaming and came flying down through the air, straight at the camp. As one man, the savages sprang up and ran, screaming, into the jungle.

"Let's go, gang," Blackhawk roared then and the blue-clad figures leaped up to follow him down the slope. "Surrender, Durie. This is your finish. You're covered. Throw down your arms."

It was Durie himself who threw off the shock of fresh surprise and fired point blank at the onrushing Blackhawks. The single shot was a signal for the tommyguns at the hips of the Blackhawks to open up in withering answer. Durie went down, riddled and those of his thugs still on their feet threw down their weapons and howled for mercy. It was over in a moment.

"You're going back to civilization to stand trial," Blackhawk told the trembling survivors.

"Anything," one groveling figure moaned. "Just get us out of this forsaken spot. It's haunted."

"Oh, that?" Blackhawk chuckled. "One of Chop Chop's kites, daubed with luminous paint and with a screamer whistle tied to its tail. I knew it would scare the natives but I'd forgotten that when white men try to turn savage, they adopt the worst traits . . . including cowardice."



BLACKHAWK

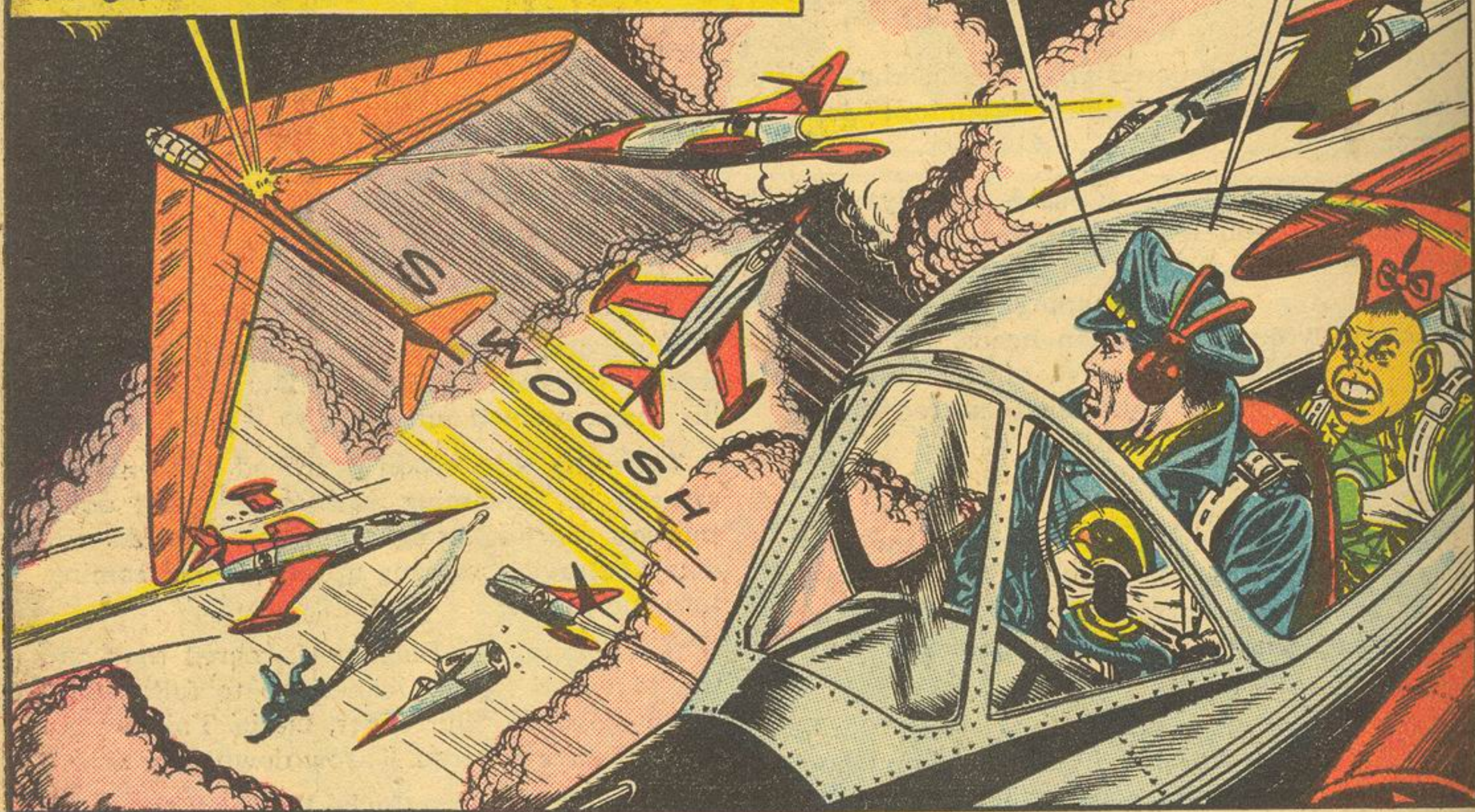
# BLACKHAWK

NOTHING COULD STOP IT! THE CUNNING COMMUNISTS HAD DEVELOPED A FANTASTIC AIR WEAPON CAPABLE OF SLICING OUR A-BOMBERS TO PIECES! THE MIGHTY BLACKHAWKS KNEW FULL WELL THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS...THE RUSSIANS COULD LAUNCH A WORLD-WIDE ATOMIC ATTACK WITHOUT FEAR OF RETALIATION! THUS IT WAS THAT THE FAMOUS FLYING SEVEN BECAME LOCKED IN MORTAL COMBAT WITH...

## The FLYING CUTLASS

BLACKHAWK! I AM STILL CAPABLE OF MAINTAINING FLIGHT! LET ME MAKE ANOTHER PASS AT ZE THEENG!

IT'S...NO USE, ANDRE! THE RAZOR-SHARP WINGS OF THAT RUSSIAN SKY MONSTER HAVE HACKED US TO PIECES! LET'S FACE IT, MEN! WE'VE MET OUR MATCH IN A DOG FIGHT!



AT FREE WORLD HEADQUARTERS IN EUROPE A STARTLING BULLETIN SNAPS THE BLACKHAWKS INTO ACTION!

BORDER ALERT! RUSSIAN AGENTS HAVE JUST KIDNAPPED DR. MARK KROGER FROM OUR U.S. ARMY LABORATORY!

KROGER... ZE GREAT INVENTOR, BLACKHAWK?

THE SAME, ANDRE! C'MON, MEN! THE REDS WILL PROBABLY SPEED HIM TO THE NEAREST BORDER CROSSING POINT! WE'VE GOT TO HEAD THEM OFF!



BORROWING MILITARY CYCLES THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS ROAR TOWARD THE BORDER!

WE CAN'T LET KROGER FALL INTO COMMIE HANDS! AS A TRUSTED GERMAN HE HAD ACCESS TO ALL OUR TOP SECRET DATA!

THOSE MEN IN THE TRUCK APPROACHING THE BORDER, BLACKHAWK...THEY ARE PREPARING TO...

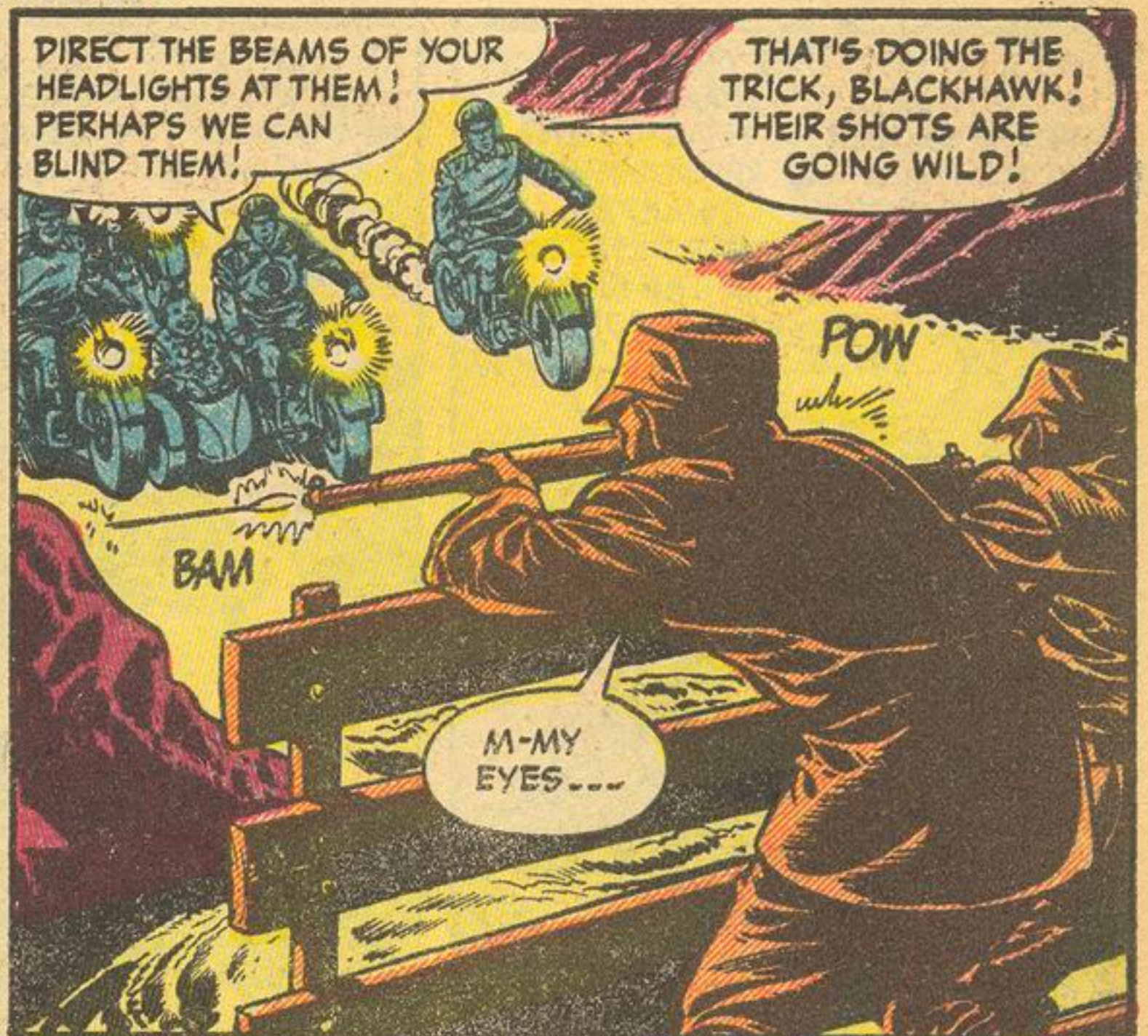






...FIRE AT US!

**HOT LEAD!** THEY MUST BE THE RUSSIAN AGENTS WHO KIDNAPPED KROGER! WE'RE SITTING DUCKS ON THESE MOTOR BIKES!



DIRECT THE BEAMS OF YOUR HEADLIGHTS AT THEM! PERHAPS WE CAN BLIND THEM!

THAT'S DOING THE TRICK, BLACKHAWK! THEIR SHOTS ARE GOING WILD!

M-MY EYES...



TEMPORARILY BLINDING THE RED KIDNAPPERS THE BLACKHAWKS MOVE IN TO ATTACK!

OLAF, ANDRE, CHUCK...TAKE CARE OF THE RUSSIAN IN THE CAB! THE REST OF US WILL HITCH A RIDE AND TRY TO RESCUE DR. KROGER!

PY YIMINY, WE FIX 'EM, EH, ANDRE?

OUI, OLAF!



**HAWKAAA!**

T-THE BLACKHAWKS!

BEAT THEM OFF! ANOTHER THOUSAND METERS AND WE'LL BE ACROSS THE BORDER!



DON'T WORRY, DR. KROGER! THIS RAT PACK ISN'T TAKING YOU ANYWHERE!



WITH OLAF BEHIND THE WHEEL THE TRUCK COMES TO AN ABRUPT STOP!

WE CAN MOP UP THE RUSSIAN AGENTS NOW!

YES, OLAF...IT LOOKS LIKE OUR RESCUE ATTEMPT IS SUCCESSFUL! WHA...? DR. KROGER, THERE'S NO REASON TO FLEE! WE HAVE THE SITUATION WELL IN HAND!



AS THE BLACKHAWK LEADER RUSHES TO THE GERMAN INVENTOR...

HEY, COME BACK---

GET OUT OF MY WAY, YOU IDIOT!



# BLACKHAWK

THIS I DO NOT UNDERSTAND... WE SAW KROGER HIT YOU DELIBERATELY! WHY WOULD HE DO SUCH A THING?

I THINK THE FACTS SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES, MEN! KROGER WASN'T KIDNAPPED... HE WAS DESERTING TO THE RUSSIAN ZONE!

SACRE!

ZE TRAITOR! WELL, AT LEAST HE DID NOT ESCAPE WEETH THESE PLANS HE HAD STOLEN FROM THE LABORATORY!

NO... BUT THE WEST HAS LOST A GREAT GENIUS, ANDRE! LET'S HOPE KROGER'S INVENTIVENESS WILL NOT BENEFIT THE RUSSIANS AS IT HAS US! THE RESULTS COULD BE CATASTROPHIC!

AS BLACKHAWK JETS SWEEP THE SKY OVER EUROPE JUST THREE MONTHS LATER THE FAMED TEAM INTERCEPTS A STARTLING MESSAGE!

MISSION ABLE TO BASE! WE ARE BEING ATTACKED BY A MONSTROUS V-SHAPED JET! REQUEST IMMEDIATE SUPPORT... OVER...

OH, OH... SOUNDS LIKE RUSSIAN DIRTY WORK, MEN! WE'RE IN THE AREA OF THAT ATTACK... LET'S GIVE OUR TEAM SOME ASSISTANCE!

IT'LL BE A PLEASURE TO ZERO A RED IN MY SIGHTS AGAIN, BLACKHAWK!

ZOOMING TO SUPPORT MISSION ABLE THE FAMOUS FLYING SEVEN CAN SCARCELY BELIEVE THEIR EYES AS...

YUMPIN YIMINY! I BAN SEEING THINGS!

JA! ME TOO, OLAF!

SACRE! WHAT ES ET?

SWOOSH!

A-A FLYING CUTLASS, ANDRE! THE WINGS OF THAT MONSTER ARE RAZOR-SHARP ENABLING IT TO SLICE THROUGH OUR SUPER BOMBERS! IT'S HACKING THOSE PLANES TO PIECES!

WE'RE IN A BAD POSITION TO ATTACK! THE PARACHUTING CREWMEN FROM THE CRIPPLED BOMBERS ARE SMACK IN OUR PATH! BREAK FORMATION AND MAKE INDIVIDUAL PASSES AT THAT... FLYING CUTLASS!

OUI!

JA!

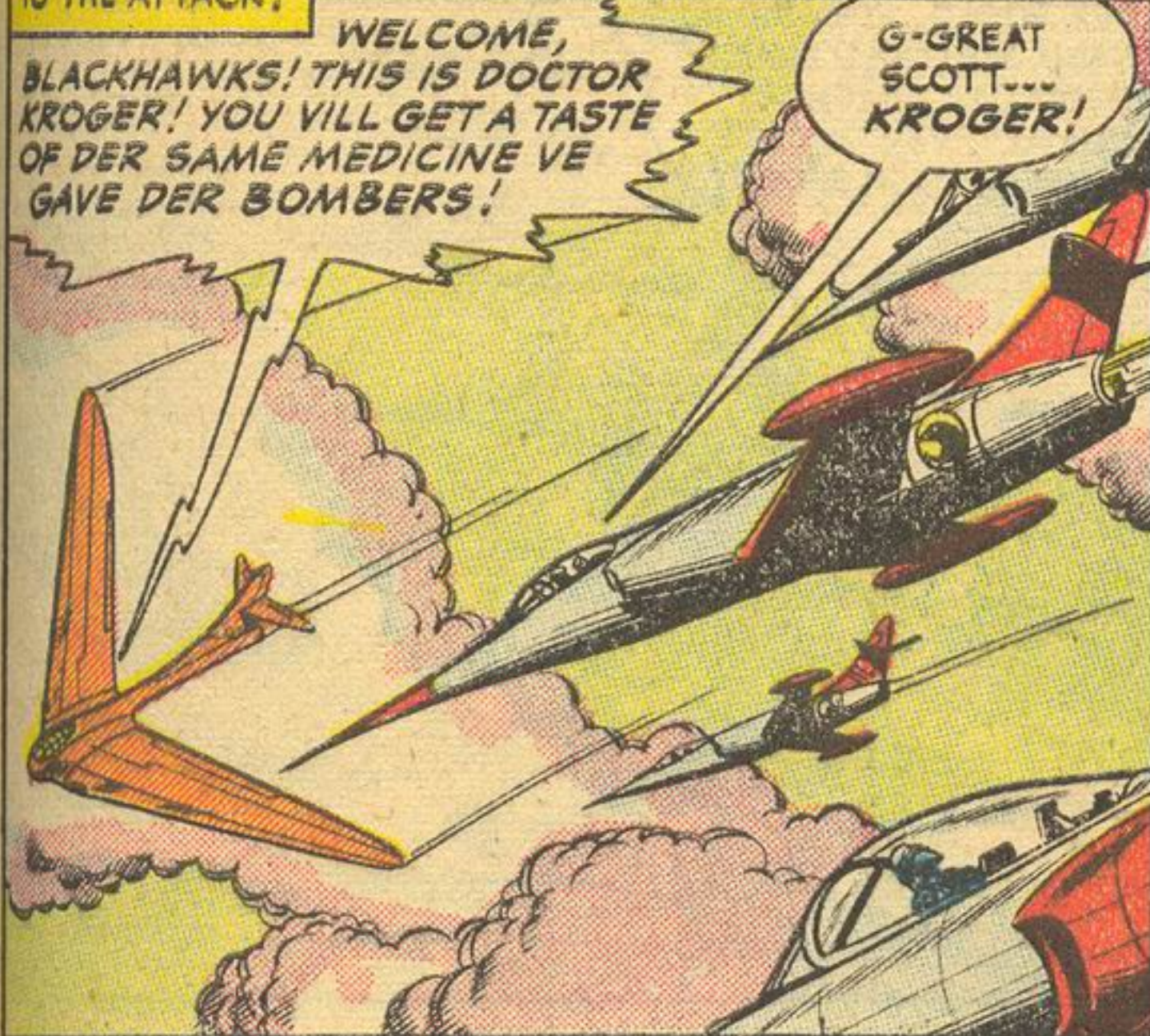
OKAY!

YAH!



# BLACKHAWK

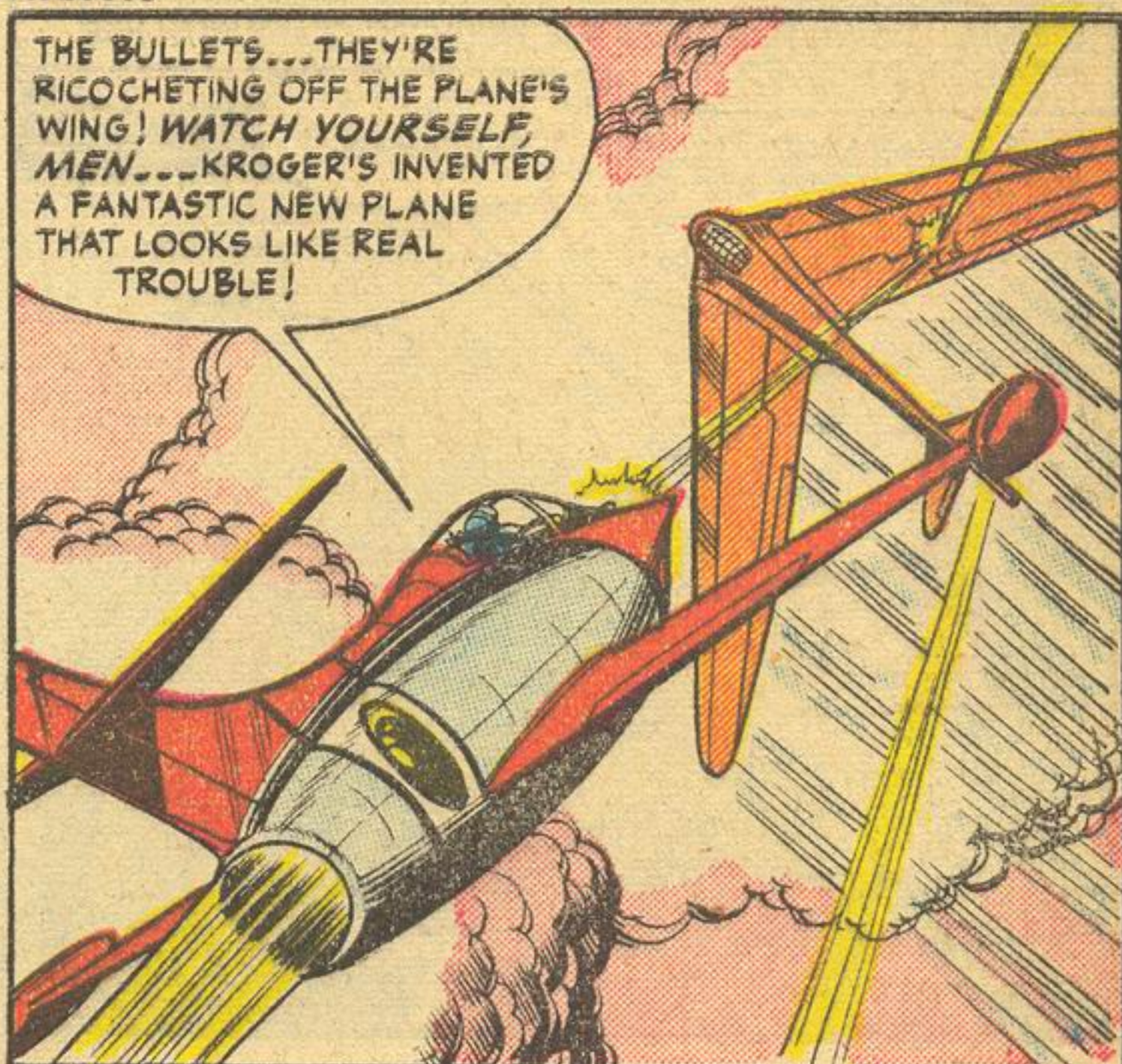
AT THE SPEED OF SOUND THE BLACKHAWK JETS SWEEP IN TO THE ATTACK!



WELCOME, BLACKHAWKS! THIS IS DOCTOR KROGER! YOU WILL GET A TASTE OF DER SAME MEDICINE VE GAVE DER BOMBERS!

G-GREAT SCOTT... KROGER!

THE BULLETS...THEY'RE RICOCHETING OFF THE PLANE'S WING! WATCH YOURSELF, MEN...KROGER'S INVENTED A FANTASTIC NEW PLANE THAT LOOKS LIKE REAL TROUBLE!



AND TROUBLE IS WHAT THE BLACKHAWKS GET...FOR A MOMENT LATER!

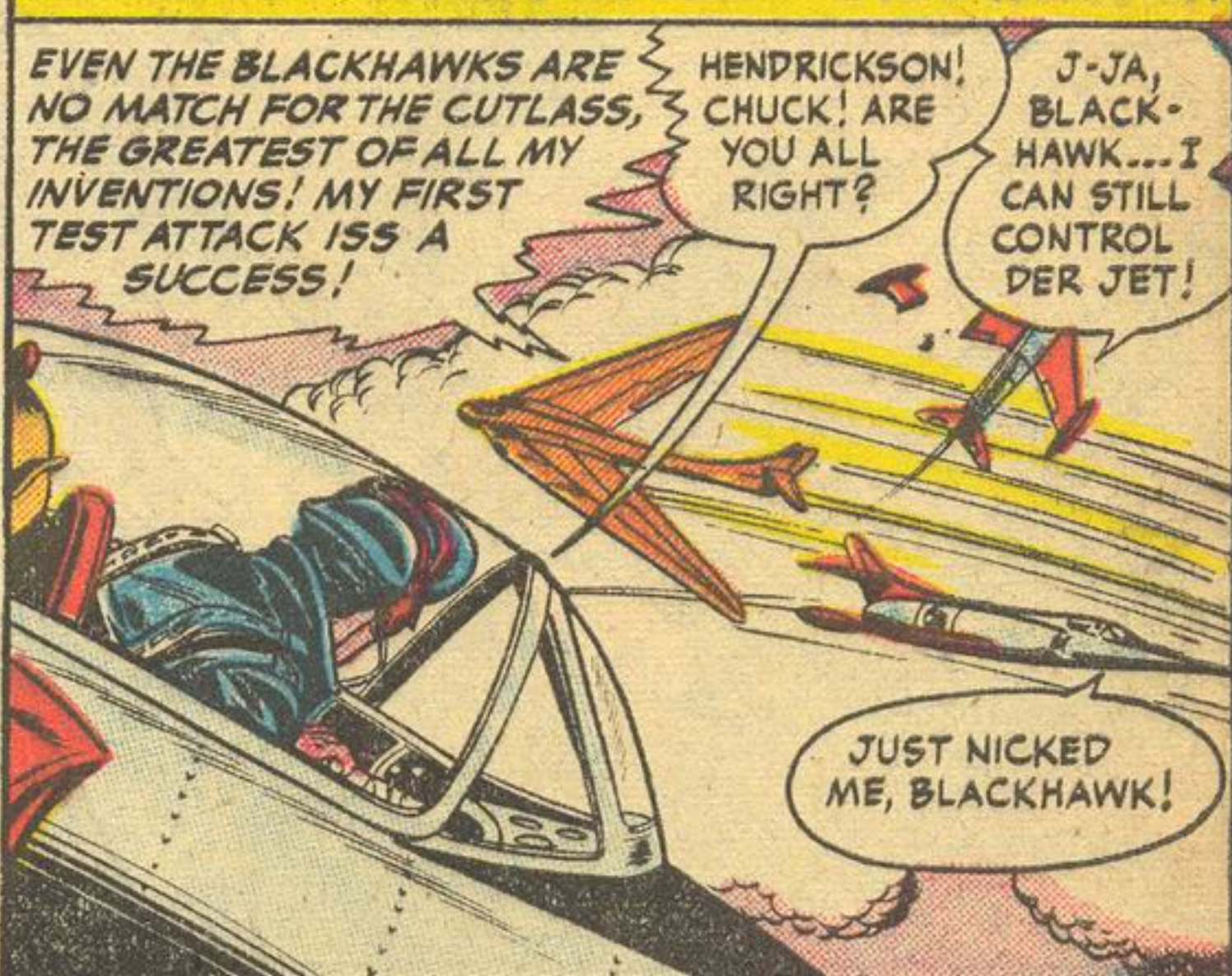


HA, HA, HA! IT ISS LIKE CUTTING UP DER PIECES OF CHEESE!

MON DIEU! ZE THEENG WENT RIGHT THROUGH ZE TAIL! I AM OUT OF CONTROL, BLACKHAWK!

CUT YOUR JET, ANDRE...GLIDE DOWN FOR A PAN-CAKE LANDING!

AGAIN AND AGAIN THE FEARSOME MACHINE CUTS THROUGH THE SKY...SLICING LIKE A HUGE CLEAVER AT THE BLACKHAWK JETS!



EVEN THE BLACKHAWKS ARE NO MATCH FOR THE CUTLASS, THE GREATEST OF ALL MY INVENTIONS! MY FIRST TEST ATTACK ISS A SUCCESS!

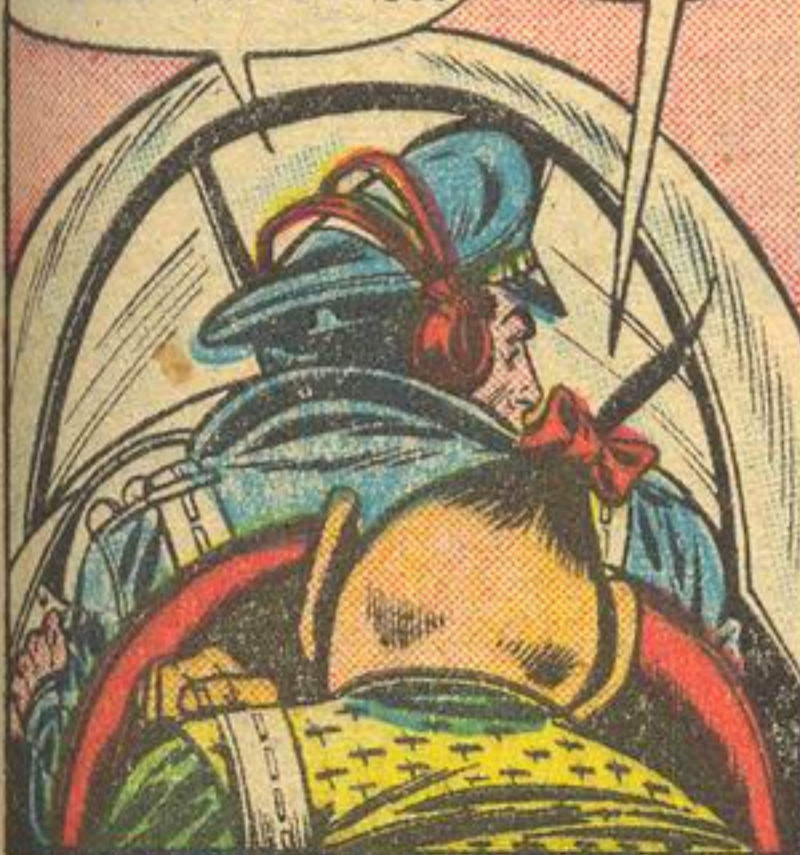
HENDRICKSON! CHUCK! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

J-JA, BLACK-HAWK...I CAN STILL CONTROL DER JET!

JUST NICKED ME, BLACKHAWK!

IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE THAT THING CUTS US TO RIBBONS! GOT TO DO SOMETHING, CHOP CHOP! FREE YOUR CHUTE AND PREPARE TO TOSS IT OUT...I'VE GOT AN IDEA...

GOLLY GEES...WE NEED VELLY GOOD IDEA TO DEFEAT THAT CUTLASS!

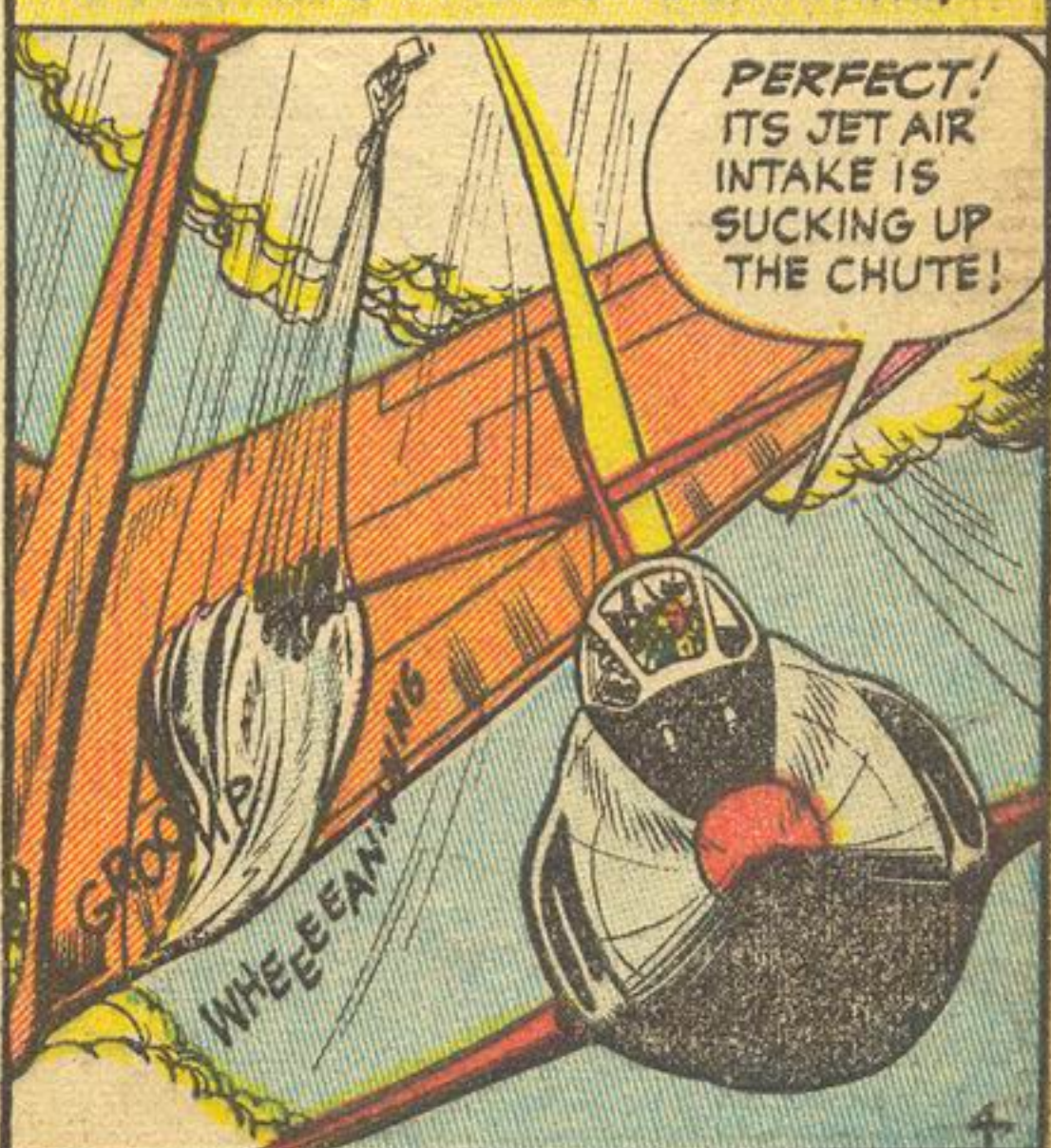


SPLIT SECONDS LATER, BLACKHAWK DESPERATELY CAREENS HIS CRAFT OVER THE WEIRD MACHINE AND...

STEADY...STEADY...NOW, CHOP CHOP!



ABRUPTLY THE BILLOWING SILK FALLS INTO THE STREAKING CUTLASS' FLIGHT PATH!



PERFECT! ITS JET AIR INTAKE IS SUCKING UP THE CHUTE!

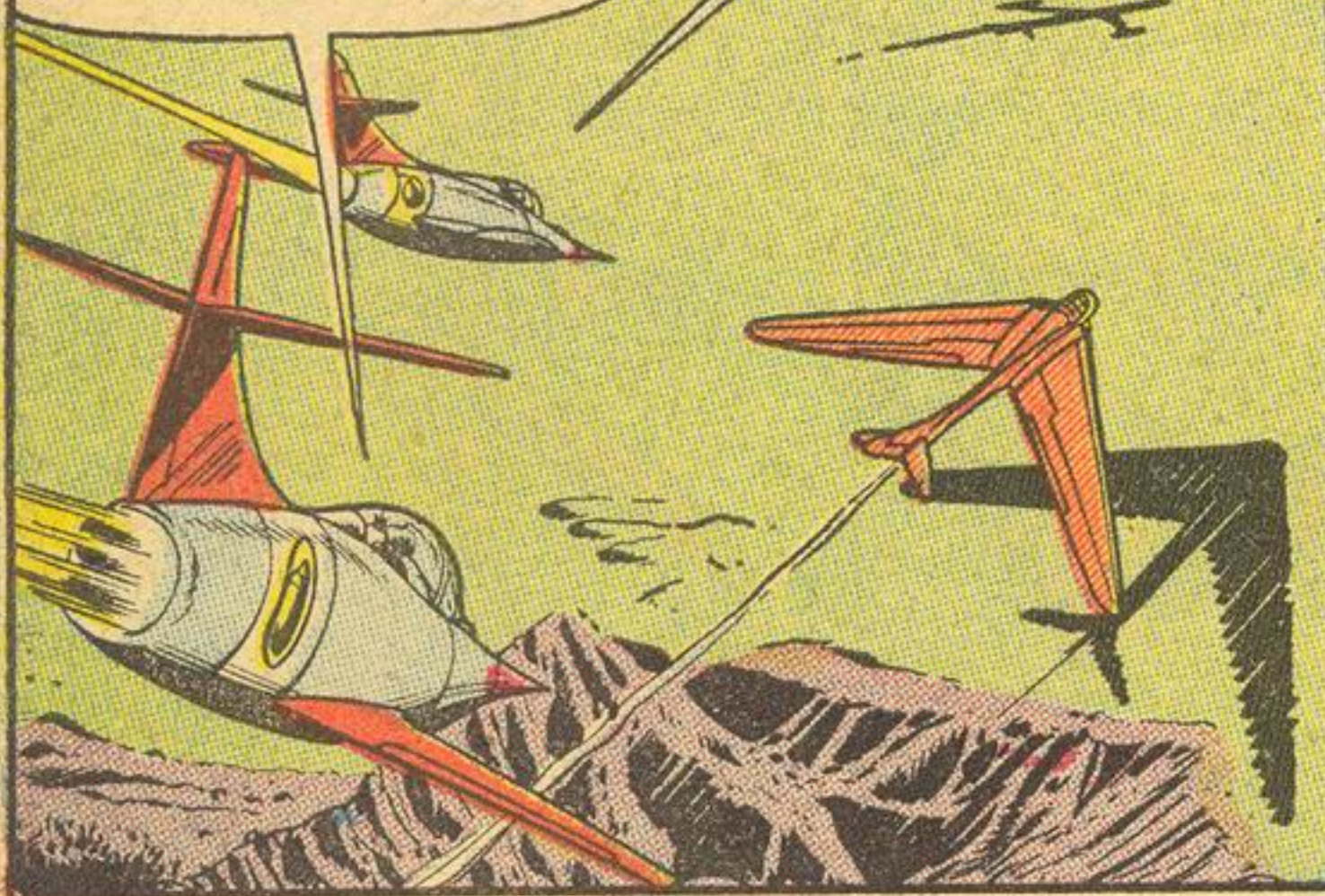


# BLACKHAWK

**DOWN...DOWN PLUMMETS THE WOUNDED CRAFT WITH HER JET ENGINE FOULED UP!**

SHE'S CRASH LANDING...SET REMOTE CONTROLS AND BAIL OUT ON TOP OF HER! WE'VE GOT TO GRAB THAT CREW!

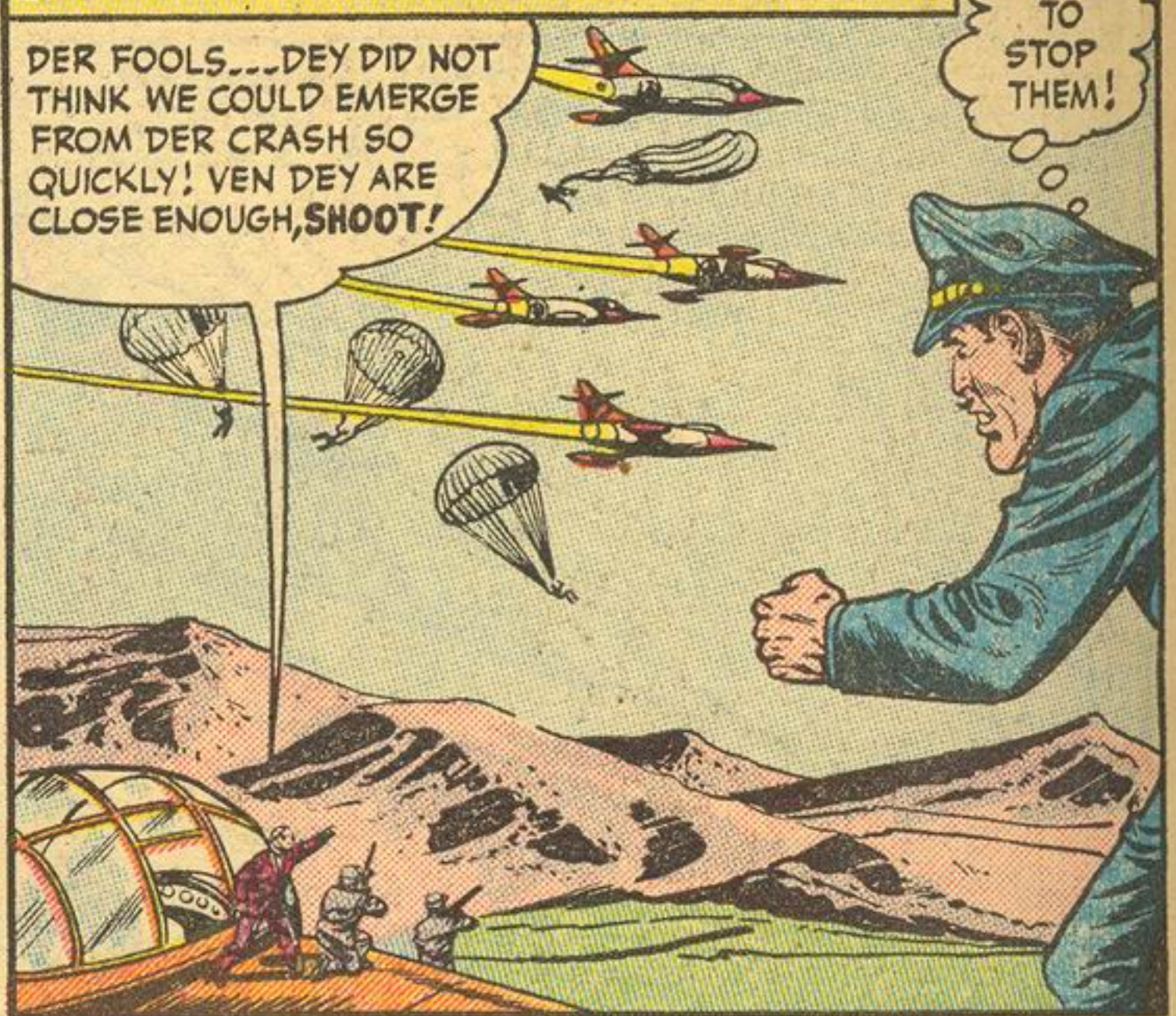
JA, BLACKHAWK!



**BUT AS THE VALIANT BLACKHAWKS HIT THE SILK!**

DER FOOLS...DEY DID NOT THINK WE COULD EMERGE FROM DER CRASH SO QUICKLY! VEN DEY ARE CLOSE ENOUGH, SHOOT!

G-GOT TO STOP THEM!



GOT TO HIT ZE THREE OF ZEM...

WHEW! GOOD WORK, ANDRE! BE RIGHT WITH YOU!



YOU BAN NOT SO DANGEROUS ON THE GROUND!

GAME'S UP, KROGER! WHY MAKE IT TOUGH ON YOURSELF!

IT VASS CRAZY LUCK DOT YOU DOWNED ME!



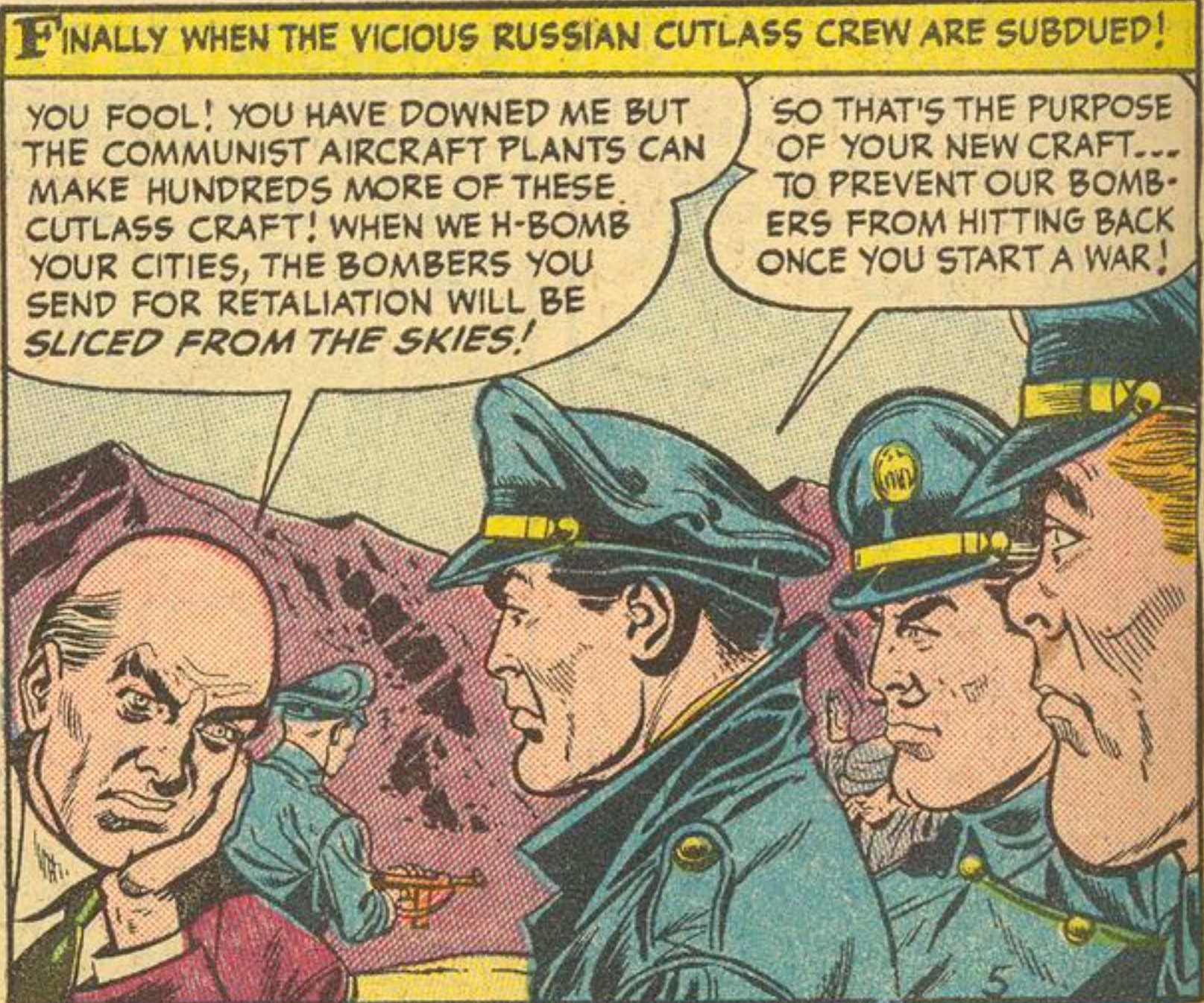
MAYBE THAT'S JUST A LUCKY PUNCH TOO, EH, KROGER!



**F'INALLY WHEN THE VICIOUS RUSSIAN CUTLASS CREW ARE SUBDUED!**

YOU FOOL! YOU HAVE DOWNED ME BUT THE COMMUNIST AIRCRAFT PLANTS CAN MAKE HUNDREDS MORE OF THESE CUTLASS CRAFT! WHEN WE H-BOMB YOUR CITIES, THE BOMBERS YOU SEND FOR RETALIATION WILL BE SLICED FROM THE SKIES!

SO THAT'S THE PURPOSE OF YOUR NEW CRAFT... TO PREVENT OUR BOMBERS FROM HITTING BACK ONCE YOU START A WAR!







DERE ISS ONE CHANCE IN A THOUSAND OF STOPPING ANOTHER CUTLASS LIKE DOT! IT VASS FLUKE LUCK!

I HATE TO ADMIT IT, KROGER, BUT YOU ARE RIGHT! THERE IS NO DEFENSE AGAINST YOUR MONSTER PLANE! IT WAS JUST YOUR OVERCONFIDENCE THAT ALLOWED ME TO DROP THAT CHUTE INTO YOUR JET INTAKE!



AND ONCE THE RUSSIANS LEARN THE DAMAGE THE CUTLASS INFLECTED ON OUR BOMBERS, THEY'LL BEGIN MASS PRODUCING THE WEAPON! THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO STOP THEM! MAKE KROGER'S TEST APPEAR A FAILURE!

MAIS OUI, BLACK-HAWK! BUT HOW CAN WE DO ZAT? HE HAS CUT ZE BOMBERS AND OURSELVES UP WEETH EET!



IT'S HIS FIRST TEST FLIGHT IN ACTION, HE SAID... HENDRICKSON AND I ARE GOING TO RE-RUN IT OVER RUSSIA AND MAKE IT A FLOP! HELP ME CLEAN OUT THIS JET, HENDRICKSON! I'LL EXPLAIN IN THE AIR...

JA, BLACK-HAWK!



SHORTLY AS BLACKHAWK AND HENDRICKSON PILOT THE NEW MACHINE TOWARD RUSSIA!

ACH! DIS IS A GOODT IDEA, BLACKHAWK! I PRETEND TO BE KROGER ON DER RADIO UND DER GANG ATTACKS US SO DER COMMIES CAN SEE IT!

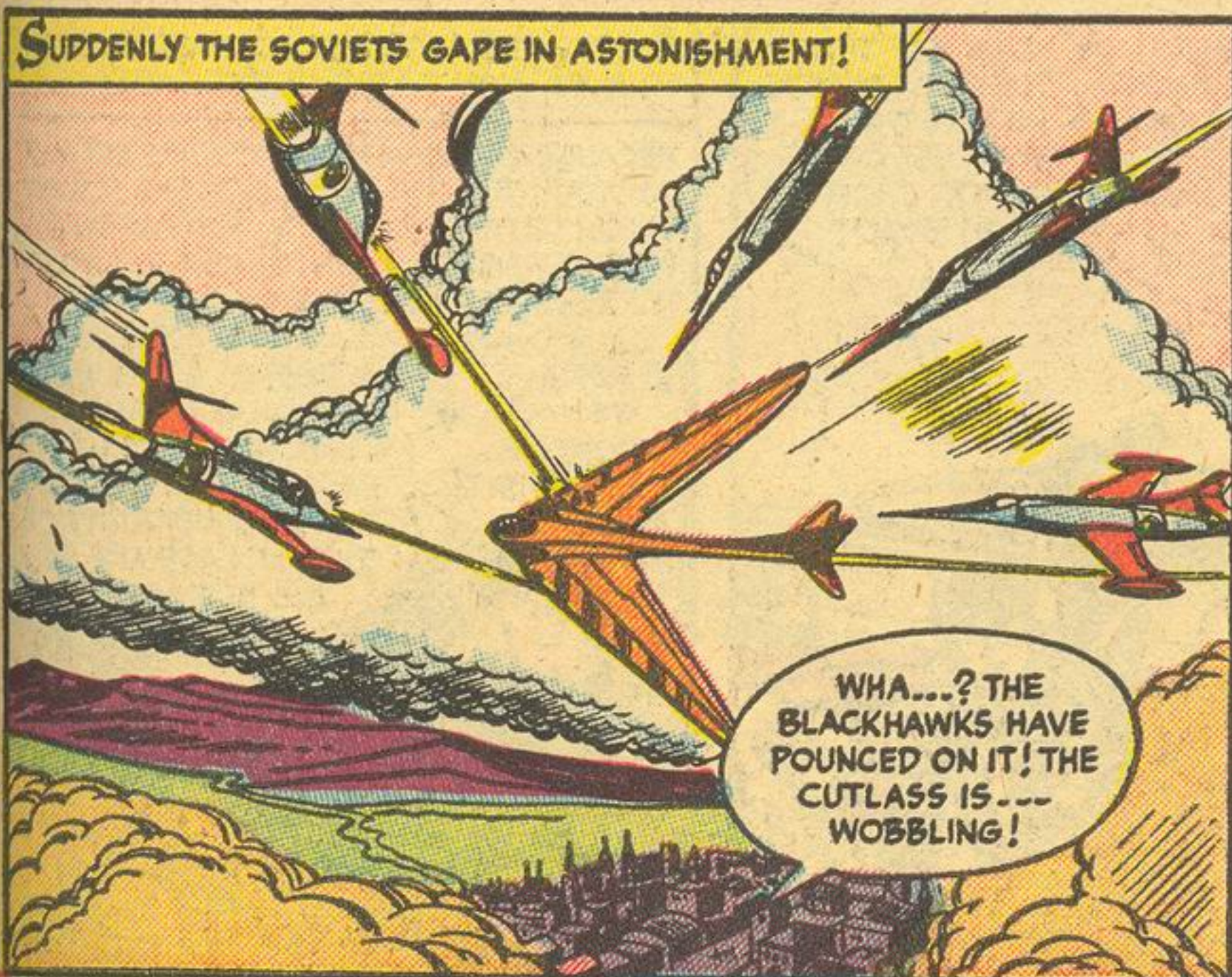
RIGHT! WITH YOUR GERMAN ACCENT THEY'LL THINK IT IS KROGER! I'LL RADIO THE FREE WORLD AIR COMMAND AND HAVE THEM HUSH UP THE DEFEAT OF THE BOMBERS BY THE CUTLASS! THAT WAY THE SOVIETS WON'T KNOW THE TRUE RESULT OF KROGER'S TEST!



FORTY MINUTES LATER CITIZENS OF A RUSSIAN CITY LOOK UP IN AWE AS...

THE BLACKHAWKS HAVE PURSUED THE CUTLASS BACK OVER THE BORDER!

BRILLIANT! DR. KROGER HAS LURED THEM HERE SO THAT WE MAY WITNESS THEIR DEFEAT BY HIS REMARKABLE NEW CRAFT! HE CLAIMED NOTHING COULD DEFEAT THE CUTLASS!



SUDDENLY THE SOVIETS GAPE IN ASTONISHMENT!

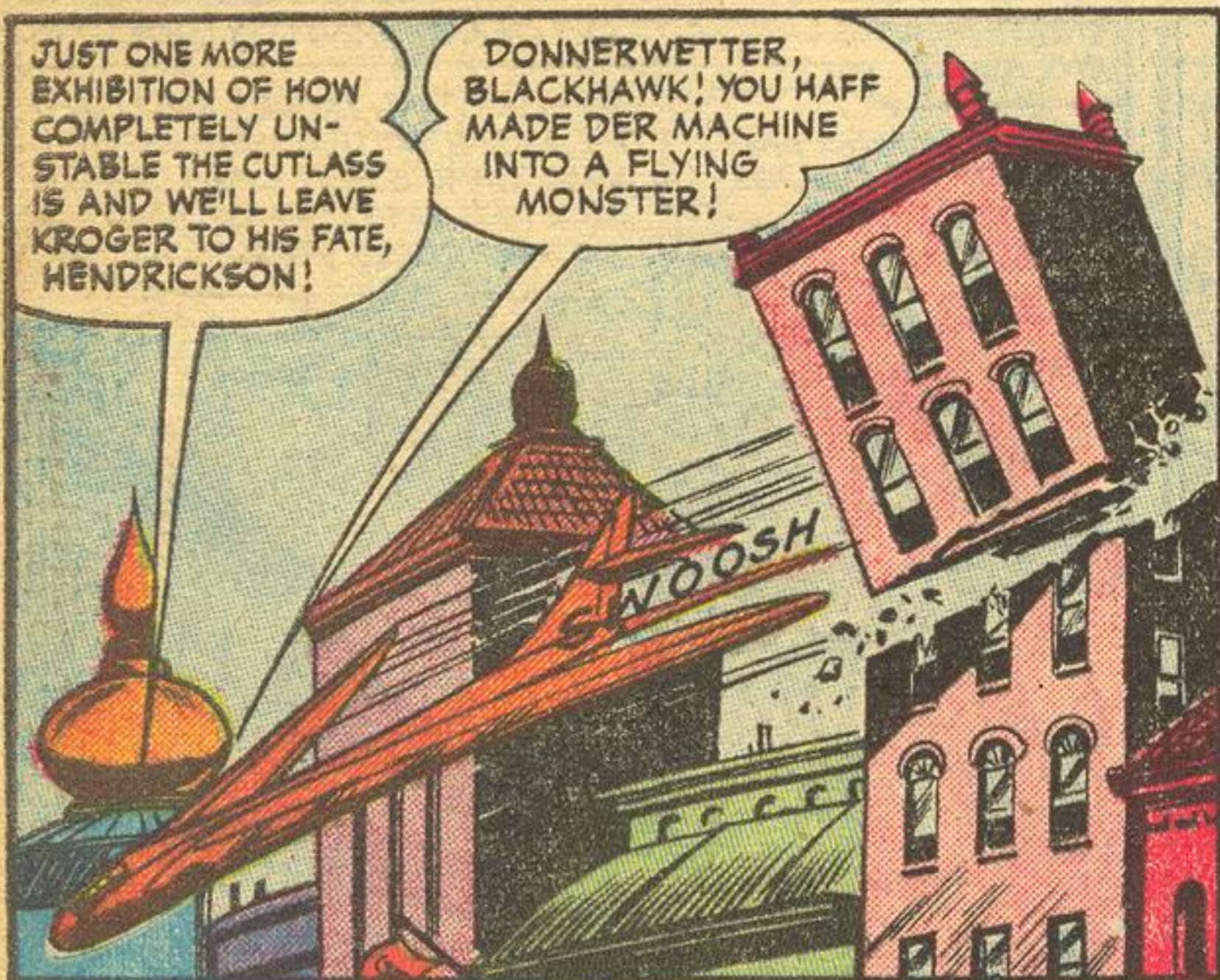
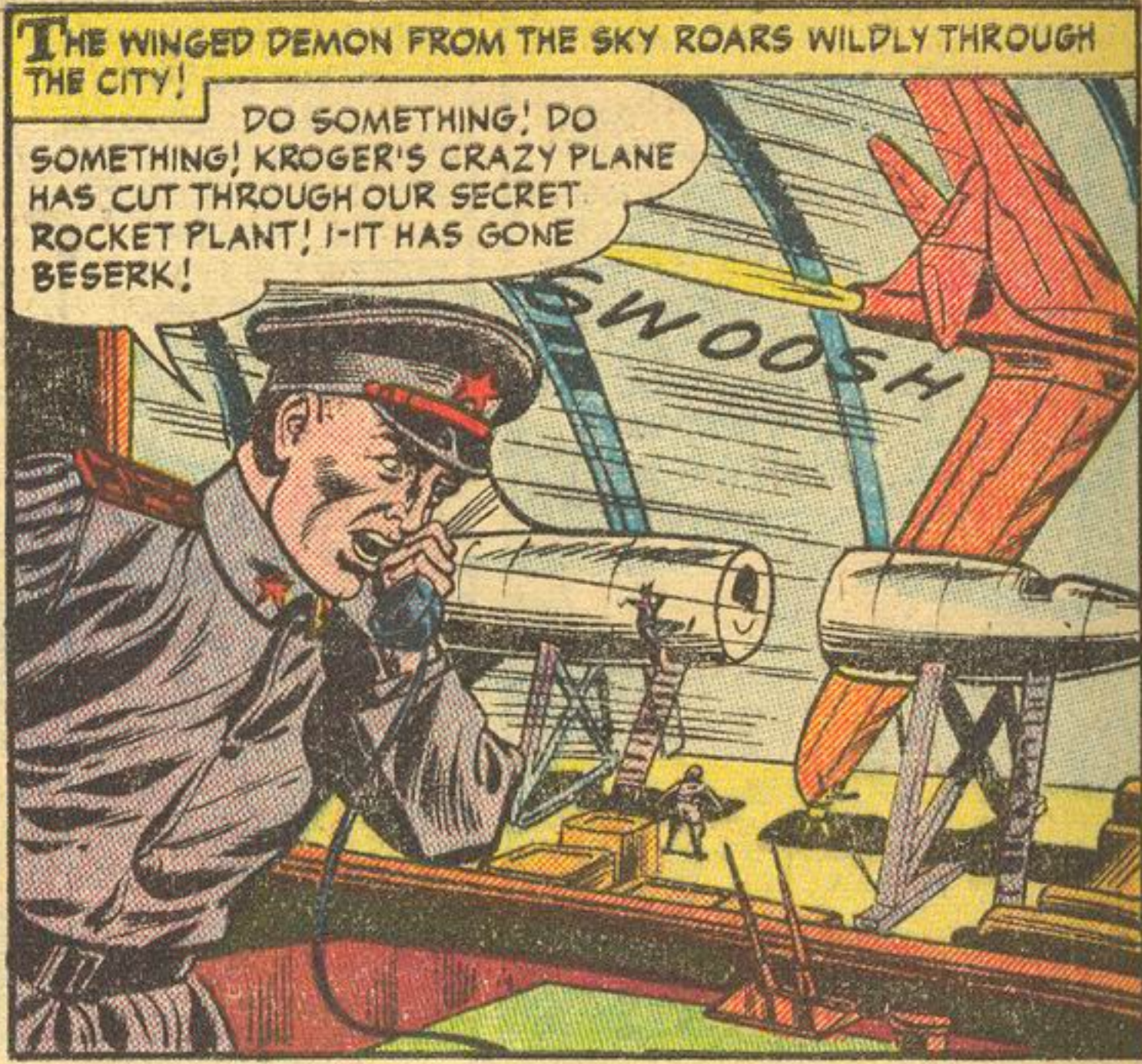
WHA...? THE BLACKHAWKS HAVE POUNCED ON IT! THE CUTLASS IS... WOBBLING!



S-SOMETHING HASS GONE WRONG! I CANNOT CONTROL DER CUTLASS!

GOOD BOY, HENDRICKSON! GIVE THE RED AIR COMMAND AN EARFUL! OKAY... GET SET FOR A JOY RIDE... HERE WE GO!









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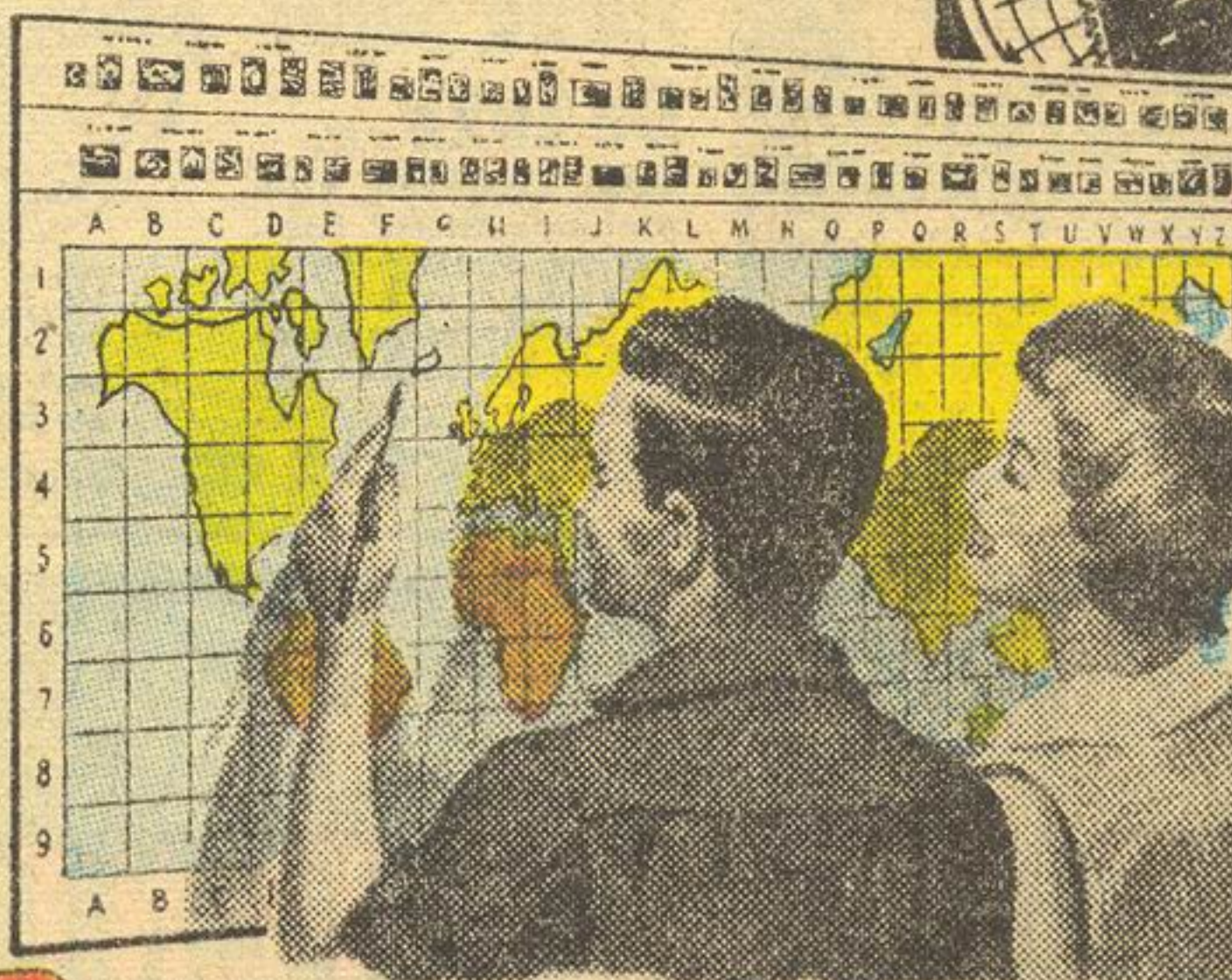


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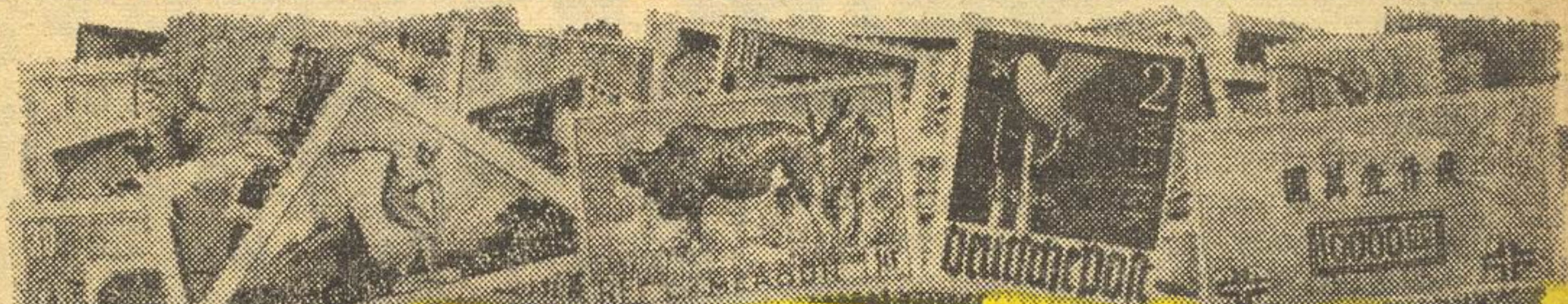
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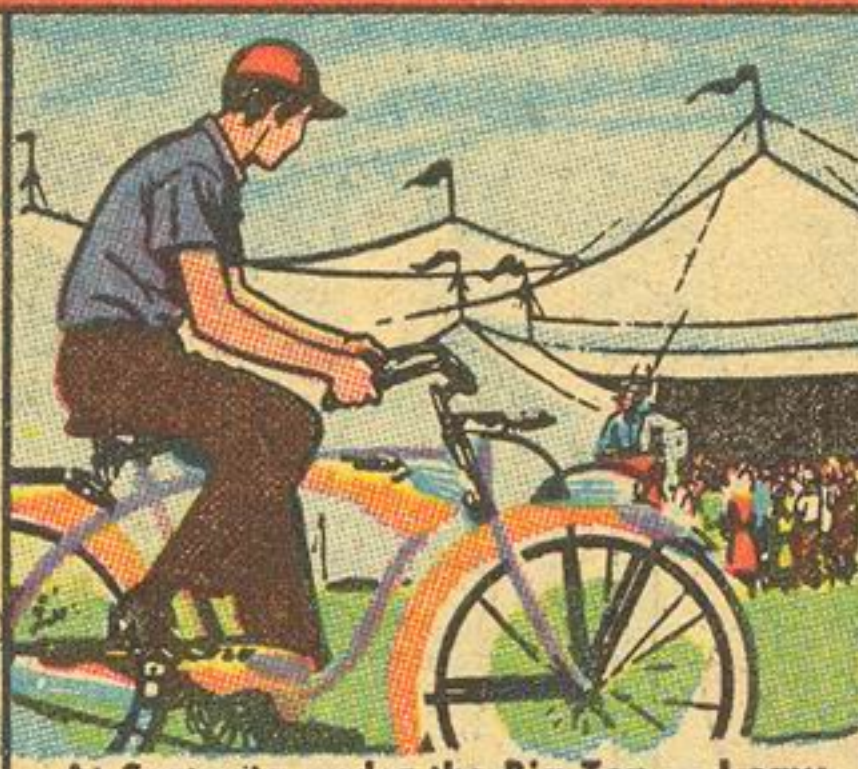
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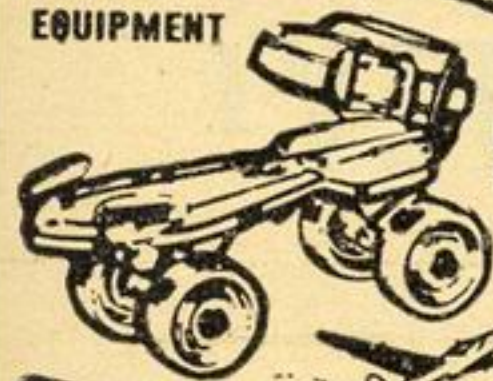
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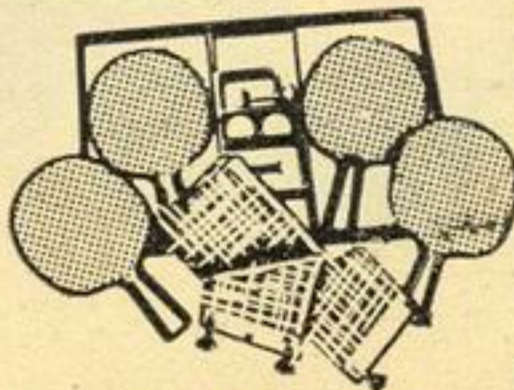


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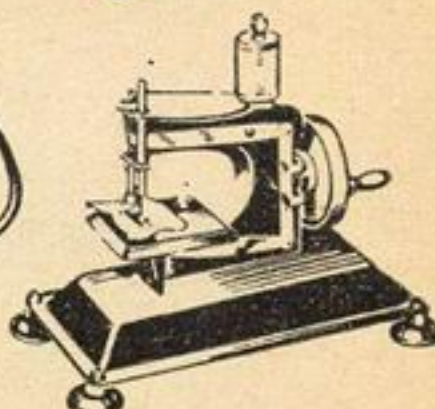
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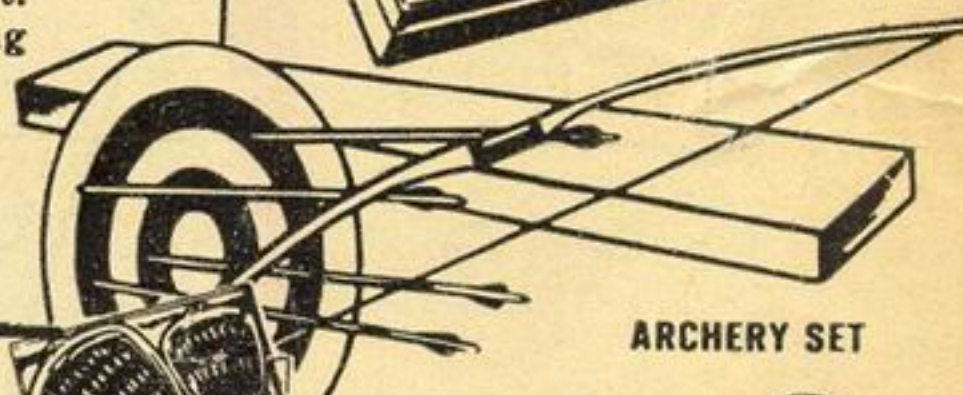
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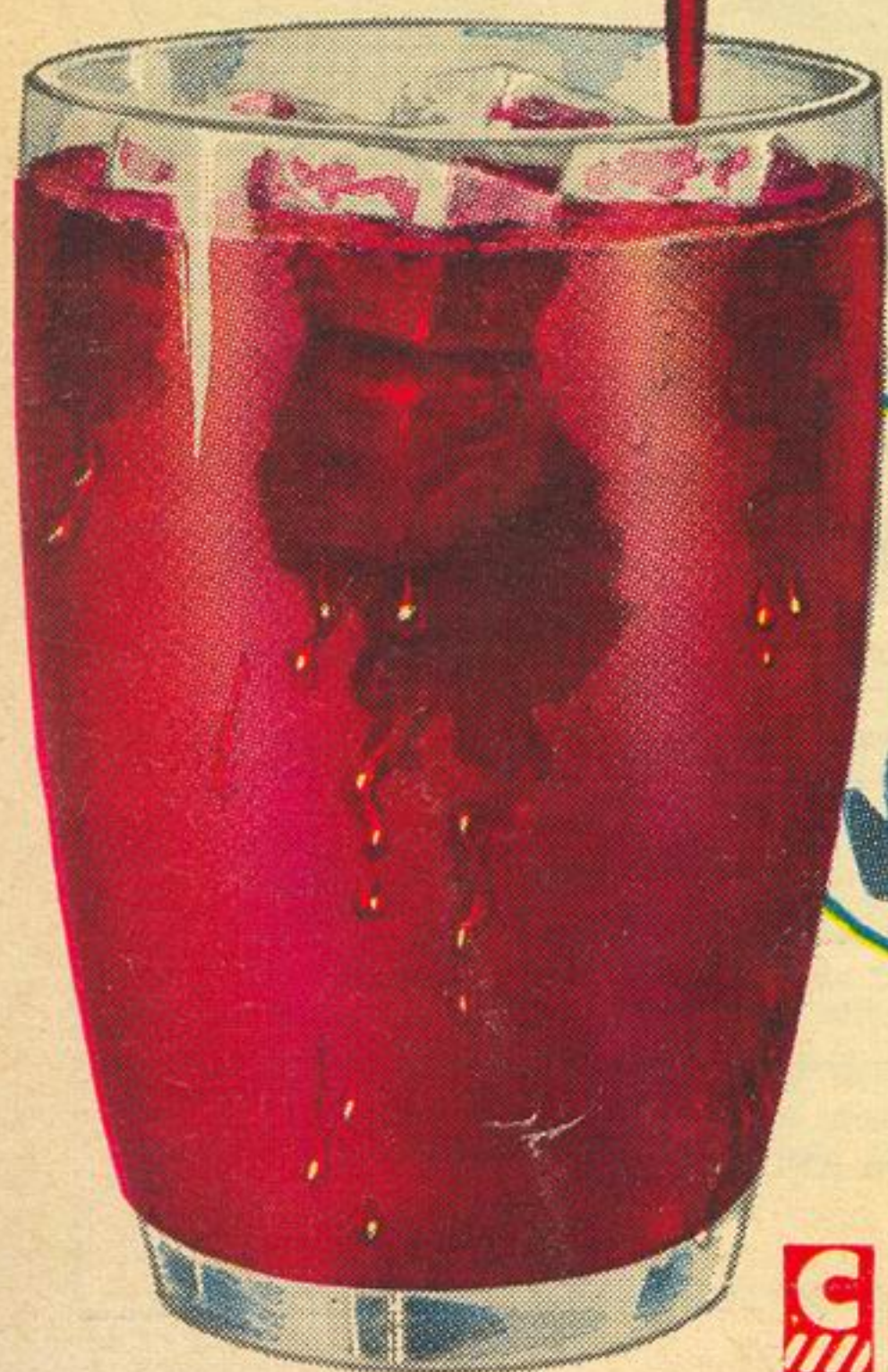
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